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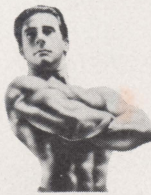
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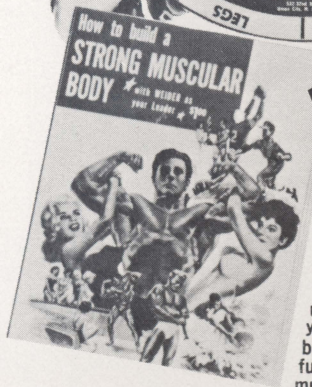
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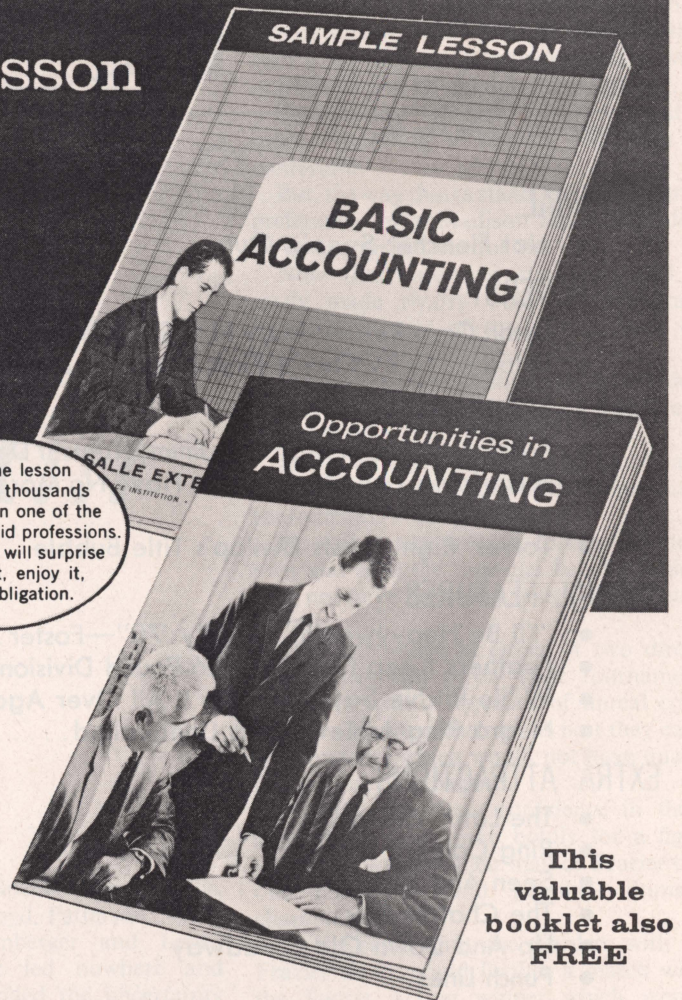
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Speaks Out!!!

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NOW that the Sports Action, Inc. heavyweight elimination tournament is finished, I hope that there is no long drawnout series of tactical, political and over-stressed rivalry moves delaying a showdown with Joe Frazier.

As the situation shapes up now, the Sports Action winner cannot be labeled the champion, any more than Frazier can be recognized as the title holder. Cassius Clay still stands in the wings, ready to go to jail if he loses his appeals in the courts, or prepared to go on with his defense of the title.

From time to time Clay announces that he no longer is interested in boxing and that if he is absolved of a felony he will restrict his activities to missionary work in the Black Muslim cause.

However, let there be no mistake about Clay's being a fighter first, and a very good one.

In the meantime, The Ring wishes to felicitate Sports Action, Inc., Mike Malitz, its presiding genius, and ABC-TV, which made the tournament possible with its \$100,000 backing for each showing.

But for the intercession of Sports Action, Inc., the heavyweight situation following Clay's being sentenced to five years in jail for refusal to accept a draft into the Army, would have developed into a growing muddle.

Independent action by the various heavyweights who enlisted in the tournament—

Jerry Quarry, Thad Spencer, Jimmy Ellis, Oscar Bonavena, Floyd Patterson, Ernie Terrell, Karl Mildenerger and Leotis Martin—would have led nowhere and would have compounded the uncertainty of leadership.

Not only that. With the ABC backing to make rather lavish payments to the fighters possible, the tournament achieved financial as well as fistic dignity, and proved a strong benefice to world boxing.

The eliminations were conducted with savvy, with order, with complete adherence to the established policies and contracts, and stand out as the most successful fights of their kind.

There was a good distribution of battle scenes, from Houston to Oakland to Louisville to Los Angeles to Frankfurt, helping to produce widespread boxing interest and opportunities to be on-scene.

The ABC-TV reproductions were done in an expert way, with use of the techniques ABC had mastered, especially in the way of lighting.

When the tournament got under way, there were not entirely unbiased predictions that the "nut" would prove too demanding for Sports Action resources and the eliminations would be left incomplete.

However, Malitz and ABC stuck to their promises and commitments and produced a fine competition which, in many ways, was without a parallel.

Here and there local response could have been more loyal. For example, Louis-

ville's support of the Ellis-Bonavena fight hardly was spectacular, considering that Jimmy was born in that city. However, the sum total impact of the tournament was impressive and of great value to boxing.

The eliminations would have been still more interesting if Frazier had been a contestant.

But, the way things stand, the Olympian's preference for a Madison Square Garden tie-in has turned out for the best.

Now there are two standouts and a ready made rivalry which should draw bigger than any of the eliminations, or Frazier's affair with Buster Mathis.

I hope that Sports Action and the Garden do not spoil the overall effect of the current valuable setup.

Malitz and Sports Action no longer are bound by the restrictions of the elimination tournament.

Now they are free to forage on their own and seek the financial benefits which may not have been very lavish in the tournament.

They can move in either of two directions. They can throw their tournament winner in with a sequence of unreal contenders. They can cash in, as best they can, with matches which would not have qualified for the eliminations.

Or they can show confidence in their competition and strike boldly for a fight which would leave their man or Frazier the one contender, and possible ultimate champion.

At the same time, the Garden, with its Frazier tie-in, could further a match with the Sports Action winner which would spur boxing interest to still greater heights.

In the meantime there are some heavyweights who were not involved in major competition which the eliminations and the Frazier buildup were furthering.

For one, Manuel Ramos, the Mexican heavyweight, whose backers very carefully have kept him out of major involvement. How good is Manuel? How bad is Manuel?

For another, there is Eduardo Corletti, who, like Ramos, has not been thrust into a big fight. Mathis sought a Corletti match and got nowhere.

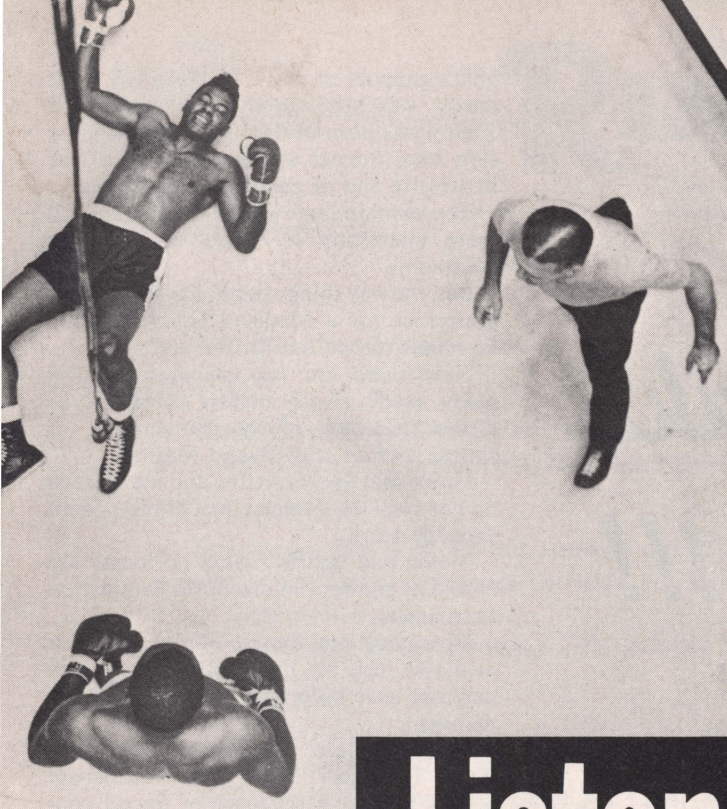
It might be wise for Ramos and Corletti to get together and fight it out.

Floyd Patterson also has been lying back and refusing a match with Frazier in the Garden, while waiting for the eliminations final.

Mildenerger's knockout defeat by Leotis Martin appears to have hastened the German's retirement. But Spencer and Bonavena have shaken off the results of their tournament defeats and are eager to talk business in any direction which promises moolah.

Throw Terrell and George Chuvalo into the pot and you have quite a potpourri stirring up.

In any event, there is interest and action, and something of importance will emerge.



On the left we see a shot which is very distasteful to Floyd Patterson. He just has been knocked out by Sonny Liston, at Las Vegas, in the brief time of 2 min. 10 sec. In taking the title from Floyd at Chicago, Liston chilled Patterson in 2 min. 6 sec. The referee in this shot is Harry Krause. On the right, Liston is taking a thorough cleansing in a Denmark steam bath. But the New York Commission still has not been convinced that Charley is clean enough for a license to fight in that state.



Liston Case Reviewed By N. Y. Solons, Who Would Not Lift Ban

A talking photo of Jack Nilon, an interim manager of Liston, who since has called him a hot dog salesman.



By DAN DANIEL

What about Charles Sonny Liston, former heavyweight champion of the world, who insists that he must return to the major arena and eventually prove that he is the most capable fighter extant?

He adds that he needs about 15 contests to get himself back into the shape in which he was for the two engagements with Floyd Patterson, from whom he won the title which he lost to Cassius Clay.

Liston is not in want. He has a luxurious home in Las Vegas, Nev., plus two of the richest models the Cadillac people turn out. He has a swimming pool and adjacent to his baronial acres, is the Star Dust golf course. For more intensive entertainment there are the famous gambling facilities of Vegas.

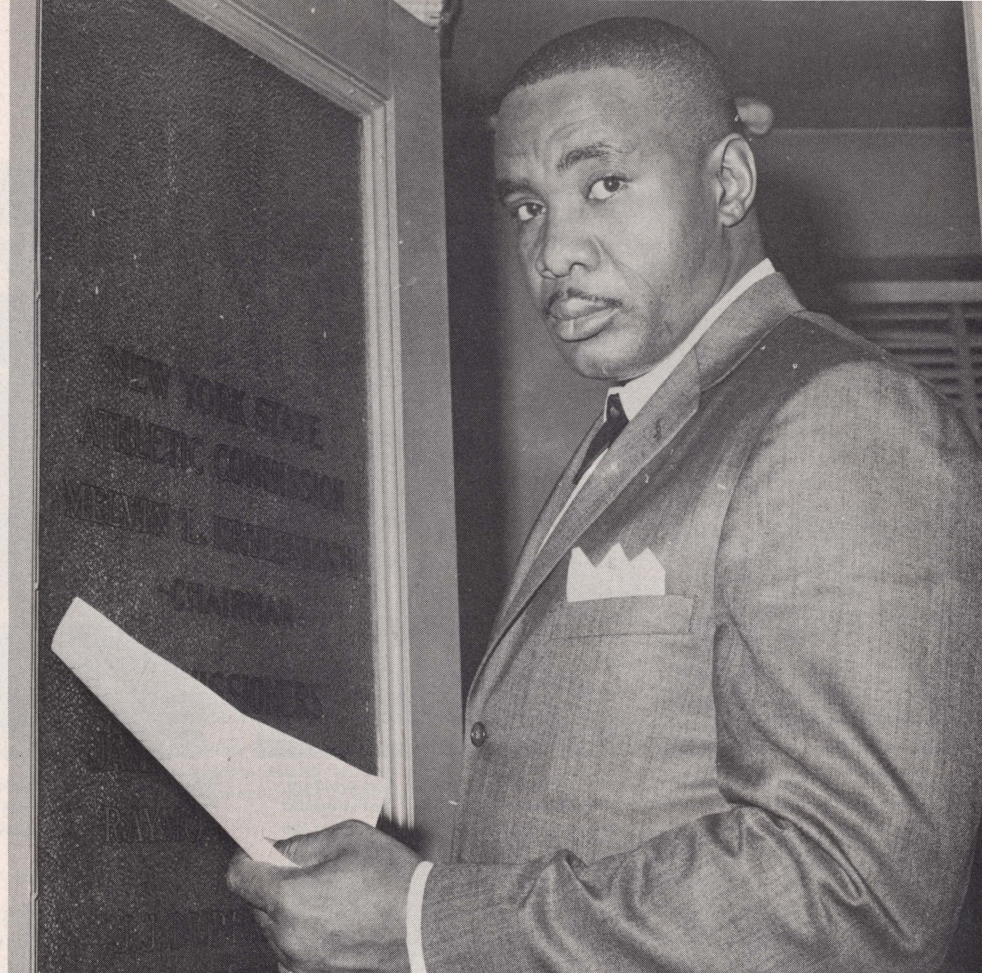
Charley lives in evident contentment. The furnishings in which wife Geraldine and he luxuriate are reputed to be top quality. He is reputed to be in easy circumstances. But Geraldine complains, "There is no money coming in."

There is no influential flow of cash because, for one thing, he does not appeal to the generality of promoters in the U.S. and Europe, and because New York will not give him a license to carry on his trade.

There was a time when California supported the New York ban. But, many commissioners of boxing being the political creatures they are, too often swayed the other way after having announced a policy in the opposite direction, California now welcomes Liston as the Prodigal Son. Note the match with Billy Joiner, of Cincinnati, in Mrs. Aileen Eaton's Olympic Arena in Los Angeles.



Above we see Sonny Boy conferring with still another manager, George Katz, in Philadelphia. Katz took over after Charley had paid off Pep Barone to the tune of \$75,000, or thereabouts. To the right, Liston is about to appear before the New York Commission on April 17, 1962, with an application for a boxer's license.



The New York Commission, which refused Liston a license in 1962, has held steadfastly to this decision, and therein lies a long story, the gist of this homily.

Certain influences outside of the promotional fraternity of boxing have been trying to exert strong influence in favor of a New York permit for Charley. The New York body has reiterated its 1962 dictum. "Not a chance."

Madison Square Garden, with the Joe Frazier tie-in, would not use Liston even if he had a license.

Sports Action, Inc., which, with the support of the WBA, ran the heavyweight elimination tournament just ended, did not include Liston in the original field, which included Jerry Quarry, Jimmy Ellis, Thad Spencer, Karl Mildenerger, Oscar Bonavena, Floyd Patterson, Ernie Terrell and Leotis Martin.

It is conceivable that Mike Malitz and his television connections did not believe that Liston could help the tournament fiscally, artistically or financially.

The Ring Magazine has not included Liston in its monthly ratings of heavyweights since the issue of November 1965.

The Ring Magazine has been solicited very strongly to return Liston to its monthly ratings by hundreds of readers who have taken the trouble to write to the editor. The Listons have made personal appeal to the editor. This review of the case is the result of the various efforts on his behalf.

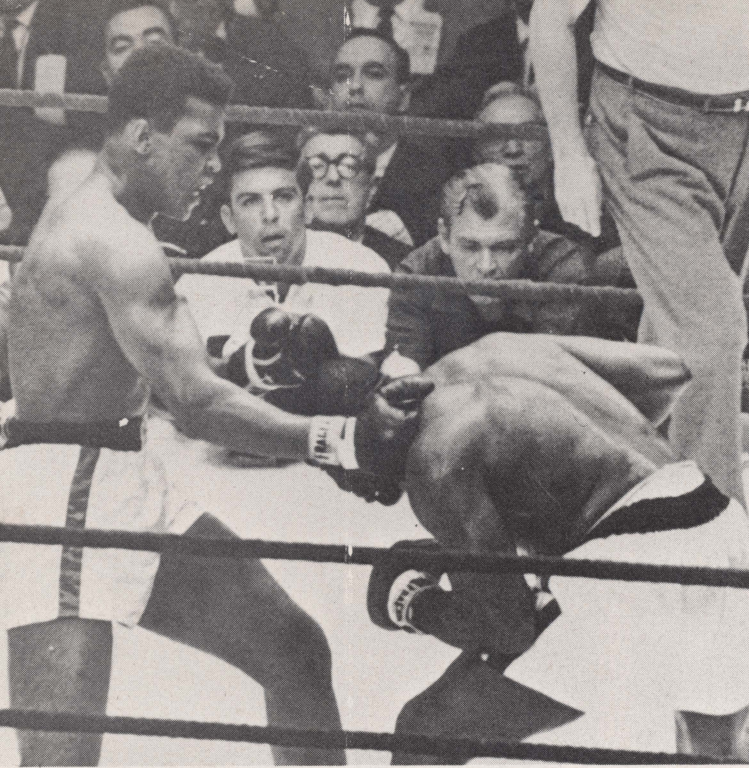
Liston has made no formal 1968 application for a New York license. When The Ring asked chairman Edwin Dooley, of the New York Commission, what it would do if it received a Liston application, he replied, "The New York State Athletic Commission has reviewed the Liston matter and stands by its original decision not to give him a license."

The wording of this statement hints that there was recent action by Dooley, Albert Berkowitz and Raymond Lee. Dooley begged off from details.

Liston never has had a New York license.

Liston is about to be suspended indefinitely by the Pennsylvania Commission. Morton Witkin, his lawyer, pleaded in vain for forgiveness for two more Liston brushes with the law. In the background, arms folded across his chest, is George Katz, Charley's pilot, looking unhappy.





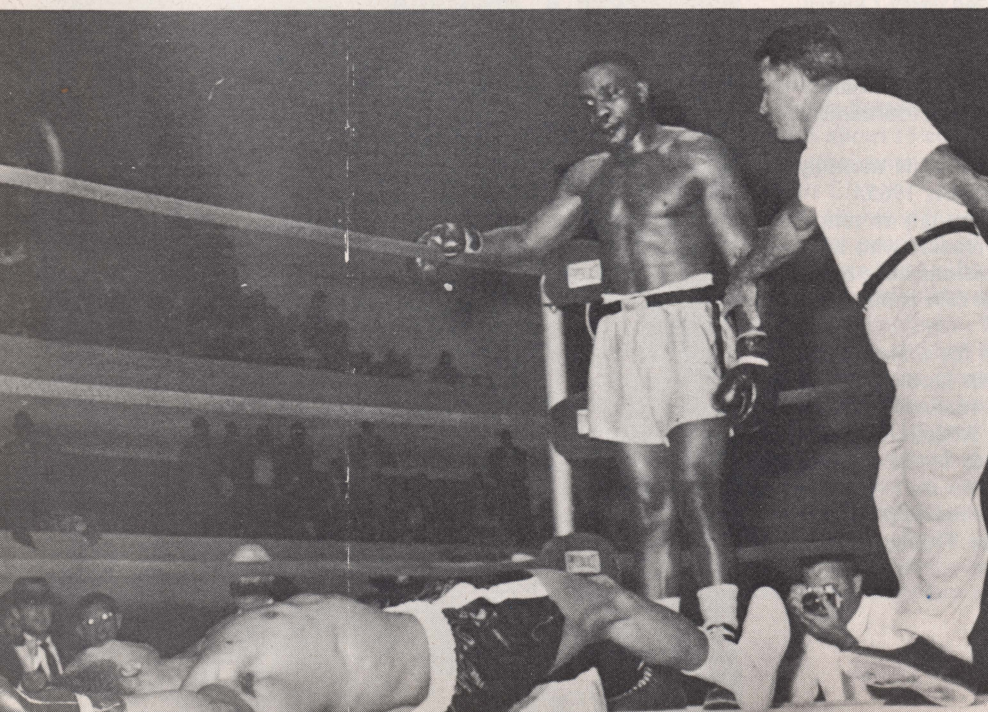
Believe it or not, this Clay right to Liston's left shoulder, in their first meeting, at Miami Beach, was important. Apparently Charley had injured that shoulder and the punch hurt. It was in the sixth round. Liston failed to come out for the seventh.

New York's 1962 refusal, through chairman General Melvin Kruelewitz and associates Lee and Jim Farley, Jr., to permit Charley to fight in that state, forced his first encounter with Patterson to go to Chicago, which was eager to grab the plum, no matter what. Liston stopped Floyd in the first round and, in the return match at Vegas, repeated that performance.

It will be recollected that when Liston defended the title against Cassius Clay, at Miami Beach on February 25, 1964, he was stopped in seven rounds, sitting in his corner with claims of various types of arm and shoulder injuries.

On May 25, 1965, at Lewiston, Me., Liston again was knocked out by Clay, in the first round.

The fighter who is flat on his back is Cleveland Williams. The fighter who is standing over him while referee Jimmy Peeler counts in the third round at Miami Beach is Charles Liston. The month is April, the year 1959.



What's the big joke? Liston never revealed it. The scene is the Missouri State Penitentiary at Jefferson City, where Sonny served three years for armed robbery. He is visiting, and getting a reception merited by a famous alumnus.

The Ring Magazine recognized the result of the first Clay-Liston fight for what it was, a knockout.

The Ring Magazine recognized the result of the second Clay-Liston engagement for what it was, a knockout.

The Ring Magazine carried on exhaustive investigations after both fights and found no reasons for suspicion.

What, then, was the basis for New York's barring Liston even before he became the recognized champion of the world?

What is the reason for Liston's continuing failure to get a license in the State of New York?

New York's stand on Charley is the most important factor in the Liston situation, and it is especially pertinent, and to the

The piper is none other than Liston and the locale is Glasgow, Scotland. Sonny still is the heavyweight champion.





This picture of Liston's daughters, Arletha (L) and Eleanor, was taken in 1964, before their dad lost the title to Clay. Arletha now is 22 and Eleanor is 16. This sets up a puzzle. Liston insists he is only 36 years of age. Was he 13 when he got married?



This shot sort of explains itself. Liston is mowing his lawn. However, the mansion in the background is in Denver. Now Geraldine and he live in a more ample and lush hacienda in Las Vegas, where there is more grass to cut and more sweat to sweat.

boxer damaging, because the ban on him in that state still exists.

Liston was refused a license in 1962 by the New York Commission because it had found his history full of facts and happenings which tended to make him persona non grata in so far as General Krulewitch and associates were concerned.

The New York Commission was actuated by a strong belief that the integrity of boxing demands the strictest judgments, and the most exhaustive probings.

The New York Commission was dominated in 1962, when it barred Liston, as it is dominated today, by a policy which dictates executive action on professional baseball players who arouse the misgivings and suspicions of the Commissioner.

A baseball player once barred for proved complicity in fraud is out for life. Thus we find that when Judge Kenesaw M. Landis barred the Black Sox they had no hope of ever getting back.

The New York Commission held to that policy in 1962 and it continues to exercise it in 1968.

The idea that a fighter may wash himself absolutely, detergent clean merely through the process of living through a few years of contact with soap and water is not tenable. Not within the policy of the New York Commission, anyway.

The New York Commission will not be guided by the ancient gag that Time can make an old offender saintly, and that through Time he has "paid his debt to Society." **In boxing, as in baseball, the debt never is wiped out. It has to be that way in professional sport, with its powerful reliance on personal bona fides.**

A big date in Charley's history is April 27, 1962. That afternoon the New York Commission announced that it had refused a license to boxer Liston.

Chairman Krulewitch of the New York Commission had had agents investigating Liston in Pennsylvania and Missouri.

The General's diggers, with the aid of the FBI, had run into damning evidence.

In June, 1950, Liston had been found guilty of armed robbery in St. Louis and had been sentenced to five years in the Missouri State Penitentiary at Jefferson City. He served three years.

Having "paid his debt to Society", Liston lost comparatively little time in running up another bill. In May 1956 he served five months in the St. Louis Workhouse for "assault to kill." He had been in the St. Louis House of Detention as early as age 14.



The society minded Listons are modeling hats in Denver. Geraldine is admiring the picture. After the modeling stunt Charley was arrested for reckless and careless driving, speeding, carrying a concealed weapon, and lack of a valid license.

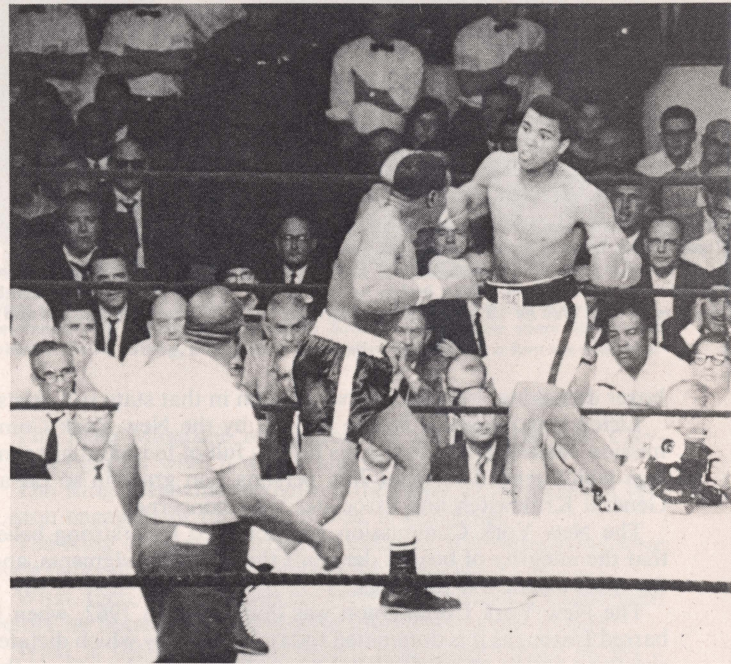
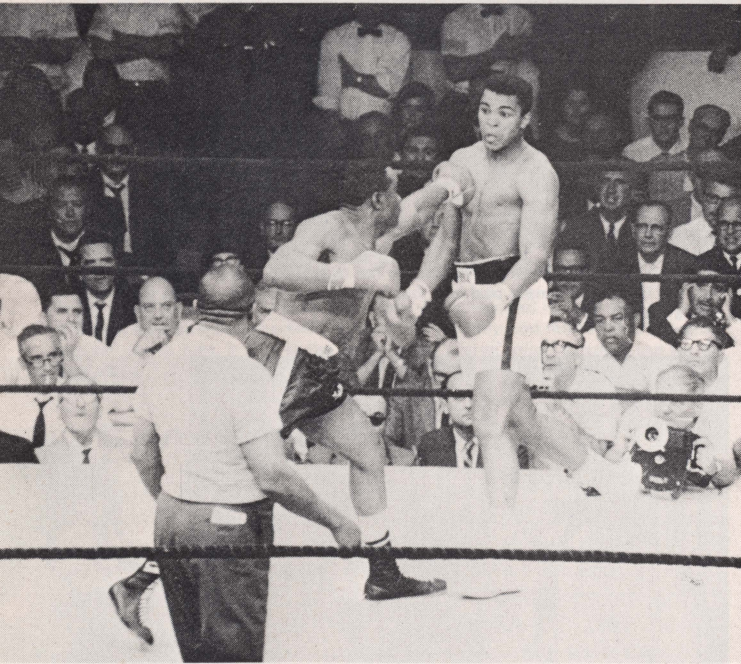
The New York Commission found connections between Liston and Frankie Carbo, Blinky Palermo, Pep Barone, and quite a few lesser characters with blemished histories and regrettable influence.

Barne sold his interest in Liston for \$75,000. Then came George Katz and Jack Nilon, who, Charley insisted, was nothing more than a hot dog salesman and not interested in Liston as a ring property.

There was nothing the New York Commission could do but to refuse Liston a license, and this is how it explained matters in a statement dated April 27, 1962, now taken out of Commission files:

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LISTON KAYO BY CLAY IN FIRST, MARCIANO DECKING BY MOORE, ALIKE



On September 21, 1955, before 61,574 witnesses in Yankee Stadium, Rocky Marciano, defending the world's heavyweight championship for the last time, stopped Archie Moore in the ninth round. The Rock, decked only twice in his career, hit the canvas in the second round but was up at the count of four.

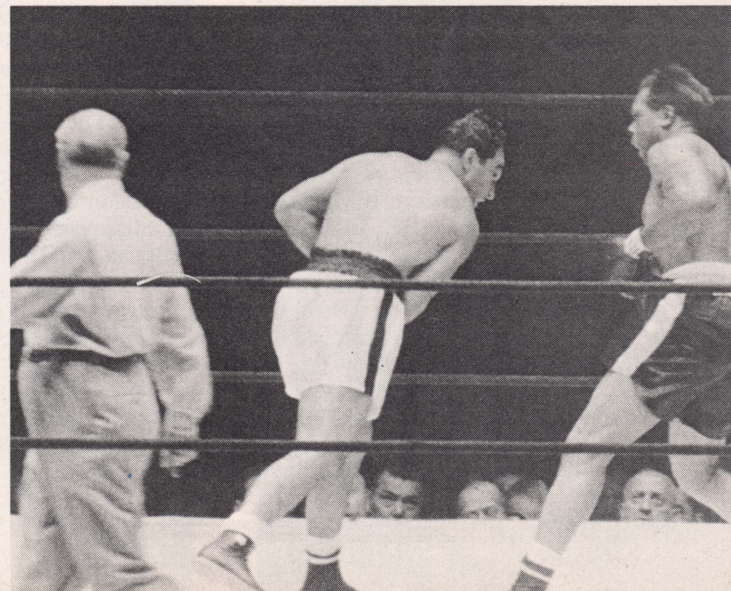
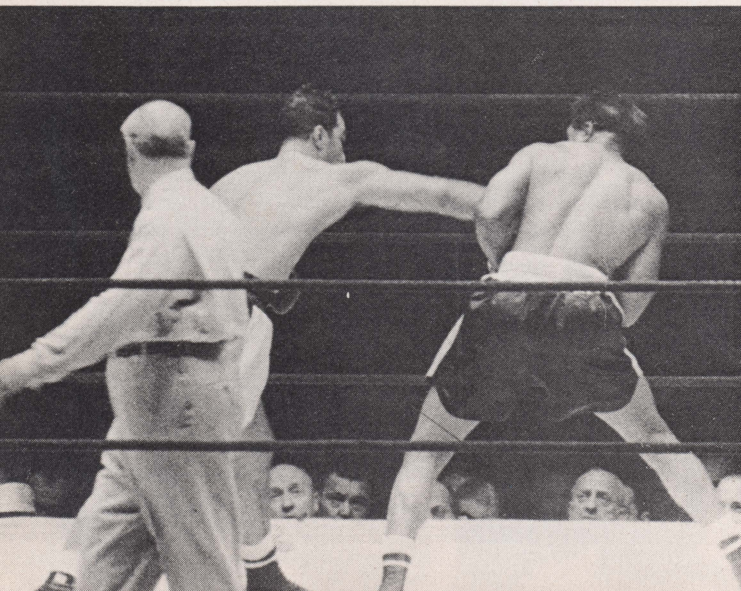
On May 25, 1965, in a hockey rink at Lewiston, Me., Cassius Clay knocked out Sonny Liston, for the second time, in the first round.

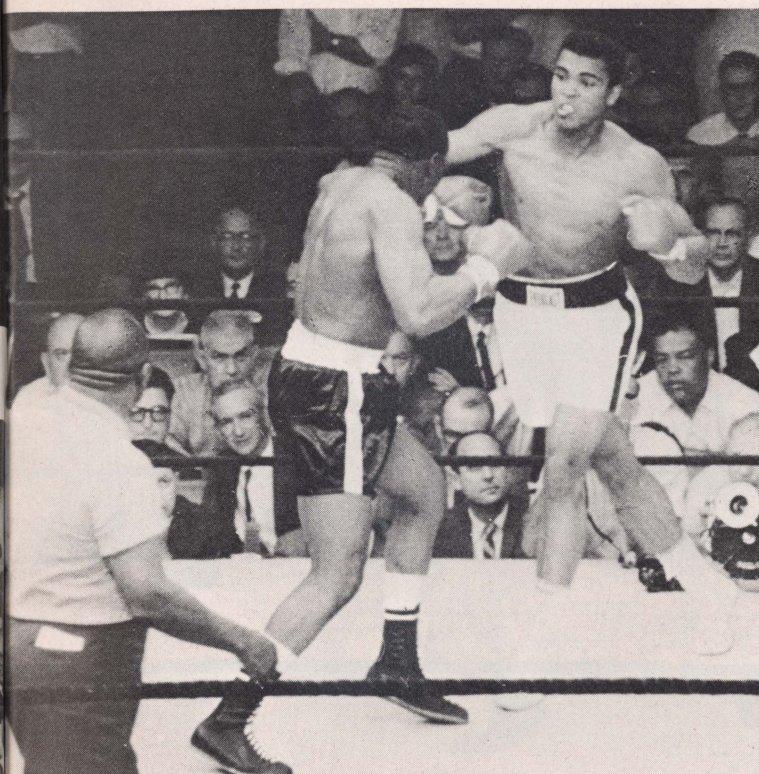
In some quarters the bona fides of the Maine result has been questioned, even to the point of denying that Liston had been hit at all. There is a striking analogy between the right which decked Marciano, and the right which stopped Liston. They were odd punches. But they were effective punches, nevertheless. They proved, especially in the Maine fight, that a hard, glancing blow could deck a heavyweight—knock him out, in fact, as Clay demonstrated against Sonny Boy.

Above, Clay is moving out of range of a left and setting up his taking advantage of the opening.

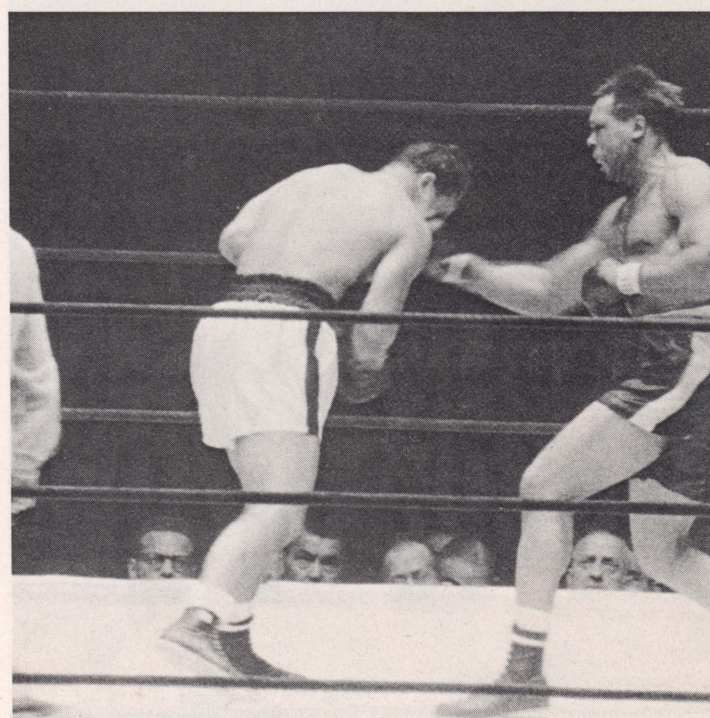
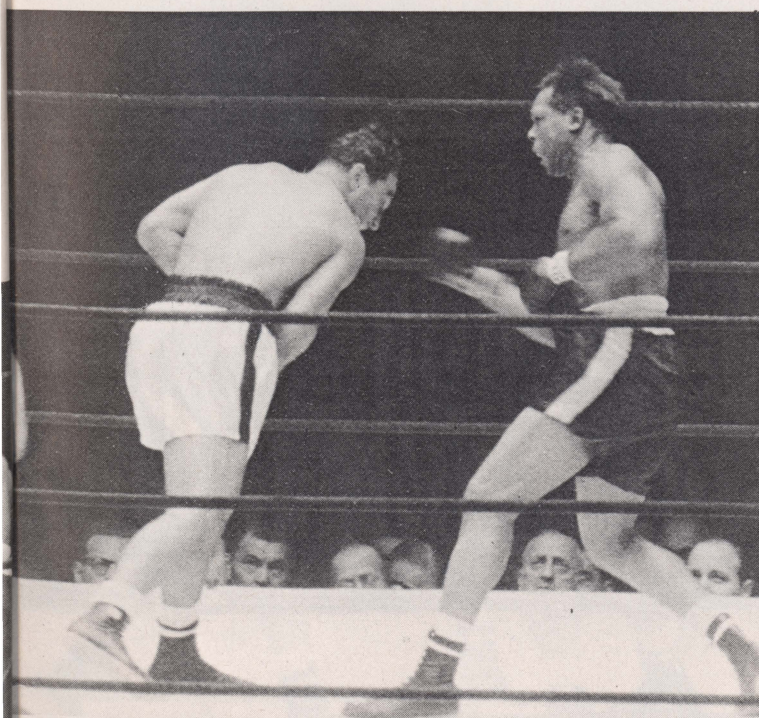
Below, we see Marciano missing with his right and leaving himself open for the slicing punch that floored him.

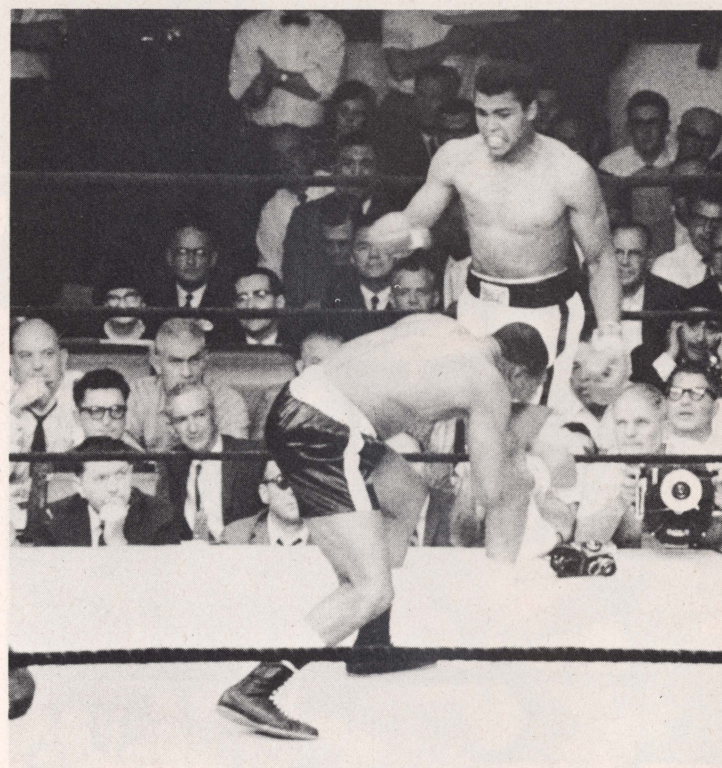
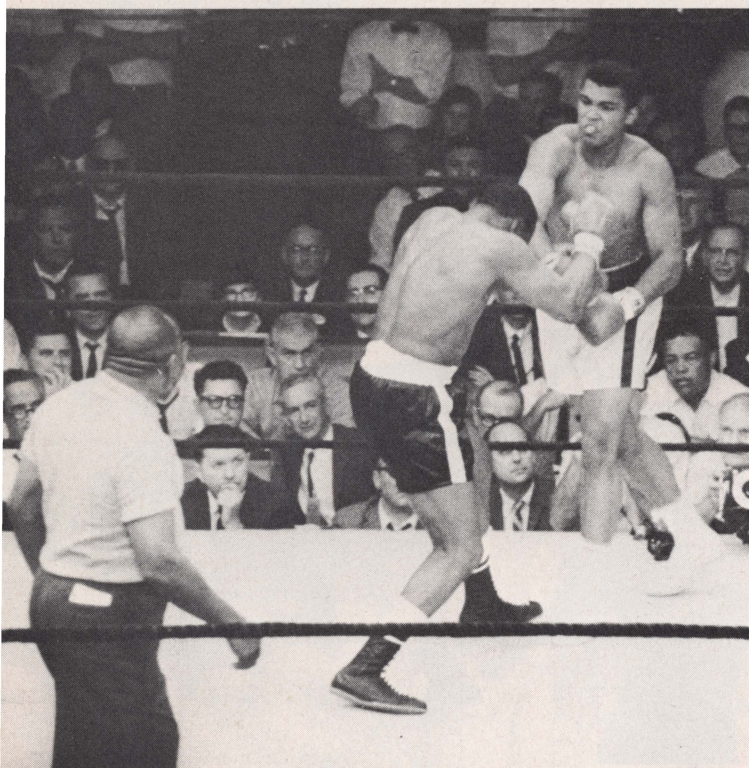
These photographs, excerpted from movies in the possession of Jimmy Jacobs, world's No. 1 collector of fight films, prove that Liston WAS hit, and hit hard enough to stop him.



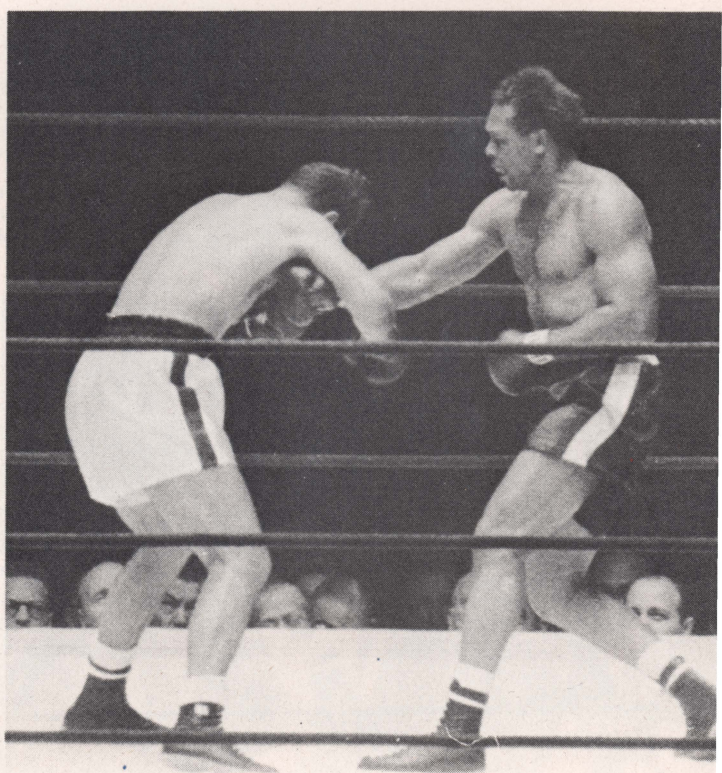


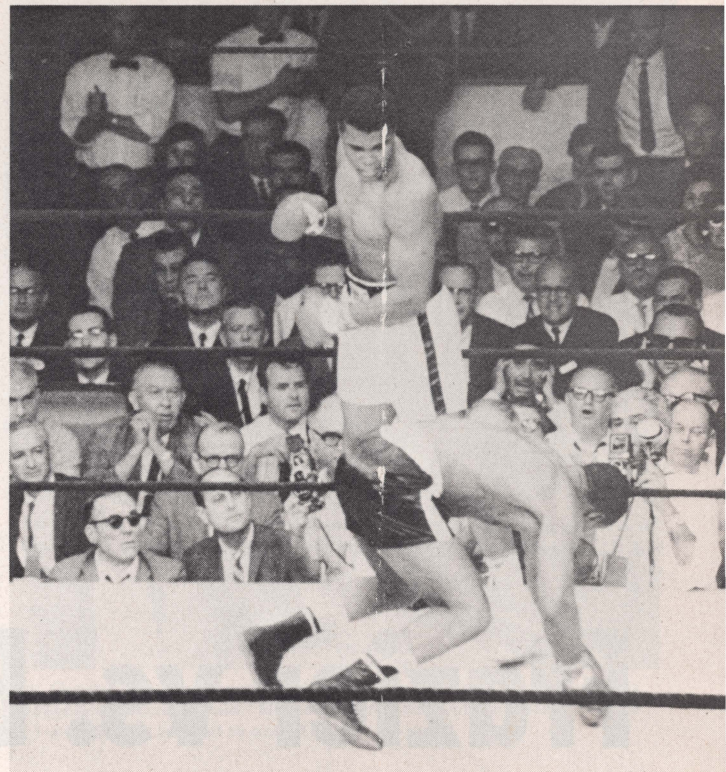
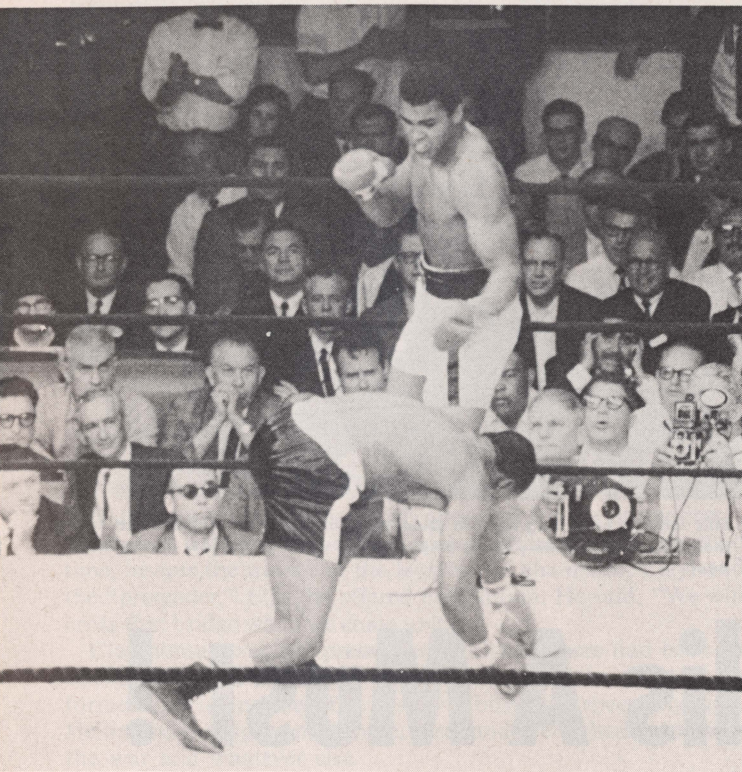
In the left upper we see Clay, now pivoted solidly on his left foot, landing on Sonny's head with a right which, at its inception, looked innocuous enough but which was to be one of the most controversial punches in the history of the heavyweight class. Note that Liston has been punched off balance. On the right, Liston's head has dropped. He has been hurt. Discussing that blow only recently, Liston said, "It was not a hard punch. I was off-balance. I was over-trained. I had run myself ragged mornings and had nothing left for my sparring." In the Marciano-Moore sequence below, note that Archie has spotted the Rock's mistake and as the champion completes his missed swing, his crafty opponent starts a looping right. Just before this, Marciano landed a hard left hook. The titleholder apparently rated this punch as being more painful and vital than it really was. In any event, he may have said to himself, "what a good boy am I!", and let himself drop momentarily into a careless phase. Did Marciano learn a lesson? Indeed he did. He took no more liberties with Moore. As for a lesson for the future, it was The Rock's last fight. On April 27, 1956, Marciano announced his retirement, emulating Gene Tunney. Neither pulled a Jeffries, with an ill-advised comeback. Once in a while Marciano encouraged a comeback report but he never entertained the idea seriously.



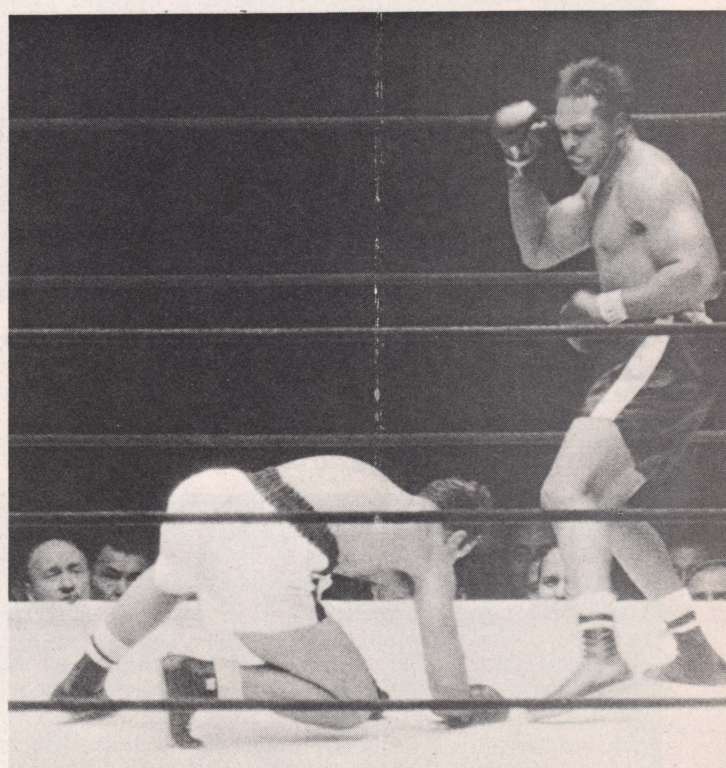


In the upper left, the frame from the movie shows at the slicing wallop to the head had a startling effect on Liston. Note that Clay has completed his swing and Charley appears to be defenseless. The picture on the right shows Liston on his way to the canvas. He has been hit. Let there be no doubt about that from now on. A startling feature of the two Clay shots is the apathy of the reporters in the background. Joe Louis' expression hasn't changed. The cameramen aren't jumping to their customarily vehement action. Below, the two shots of the Marciano-Moore dispute show that Archie has completed his slicing right. The Rock is bending over on his way to the canvas. Not showing is the pandemonium among the more than 60,000 spectators, who thought they were seeing one of the biggest upsets in boxing history. Marciano still insists, after 13 years, that he was in full possession of his faculties, and that the effect of the slicing punch was purely mechanical and not in any way connected with brain function and consciousness. The full impact of the decking blow did not hit the reporters for a few seconds. Like those at Lewiston, they could not believe that they were seeing a very serious phase of the fight. However, while not as serious as the decking of Liston a decade later, Marciano's flip quickly sent the reporters on the qui vive and had the telegraph wires tacking madly. A new heavyweight king in the making? No, it was not to be.



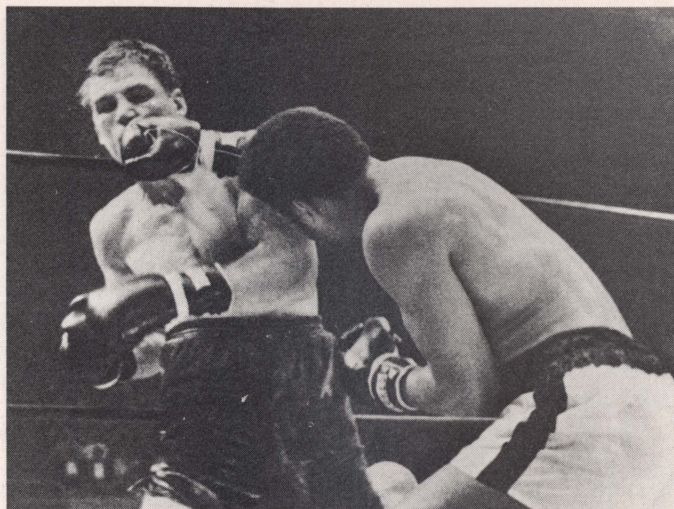


Now we come to the climactic features of the Clay and Moore achievements. In the upper left, Clay, with right hand poised, is ready to land again, and harder. Liston has dropped, with glove tips touching the floor. There still is no widespread emotion at the ringside. In the last shot we find Sonny still toppling. Jersey Joe, poor guy, never did take over. The ensuing muddle, the knockout, the strange resumption of fighting, the ultimate cessation on the basis of the slicing right to the head, all are familiar to students of boxing. Sonny Liston definitely was knocked out, even if not as sliced up as Jess Willard was by Jack Dempsey, or as thoroughly knocked unconscious as Ingemar Johansson was in the second fight with Floyd Patterson. In the two lower frames, we see Marciano on his way down to the canvas in that dramatic second round in 1955, and then down on his right knee, with support from his right arm. Referee Harry Kessler is somewhere in the offing. Moore was decked four times, twice in a roaring sixth round. But in the nine heats Kessler had nothing like the anguish which was packed into the riotous one round for Walcott at Lewiston. Yes, Liston was knocked out there just as emphatically as Moore was stopped at the Stadium.





Jimmy Ellis gets a big kiss on the cheek from his wife after winning the W.B.A. version of the heavyweight title from Jerry Quarry on a split decision.



Ellis lands a smashing right to Quarry's chin during the third round of their 15-rounder. Jimmy made a specialty of rights to the jaw during the bout.

Frazier vs. Ellis A Must ! But Jimmy Turns It Down

By NAT FLEISCHER

JIMMY ELLIS vs. Joe Frazier. That is the fight that should be made to obtain a successor to Cassius Clay if the world champion's felony sentence for refusing induction into the armed forces is upheld by the Courts.

Ellis, Louisville's entry in the eight man elimination tournament, won the World Boxing Association version of the heavyweight championship by gaining a split decision over Jerry Quarry, of Bellflower, Cal. Now we have both him and Frazier as top claimants for the crown which Clay still owns.

The final of the W.B.A. tournament, in the Coliseum Arena in Oakland, California, brought additional confusion into the heavyweight situation. Teddy Brenner, matchmaker of Madison Square Garden, made an effort to bring together Ellis with Joe Frazier, New York's world champion version, but without success.

Brenner carried the Frazier challenge to Dundee and Ellis, and Angelo declined it.

The new WBA star will set out to cash in on his position against less formidable opposition than Frazier appears to be.

Frazier, has the backing of New York, Pennsylvania, Illinois, Massachusetts and Maine.

"Frazier is a good fighter," said Dundee to me at Oakland, "but we are not ready to give him a chance at Ellis' crown. I don't know who will be Jimmy's first opponent. Let's wait and see. One thing of which I am certain is that it won't be Frazier."

Then Dundee yodeled the praises of his new boxing king. "Let Frazier defend the role of challenger. That's all he is. He can fight my other heavyweight, Al Jones, who has the same record of 21 wins as Joe. If Frazier beats Al, he might get the opportunity to fight Ellis.

"My brother Chris is ready to promote Frazier-Jones fight in his Miami Beach Club. If Joe doesn't want Jones Chris will

put him against Quarry in Miami Beach. I predict if Frazier fights Quarry, we won't have to worry about Joe any longer. He will be knocked out by Jerry."

Brenner, who listened to Dundee's opus at a press conference, smiled at Dundee's low opinion of Frazier, then made Dundee an offer for Ellis to fight Joe if he thought so little of Frazier's ability. But Frazier was shunted to the sidelines by Angie, whereupon Brenner offered Manuel Ramos a match with Frazier. That fight will be booked in New York as a world heavyweight championship bout—New York version.

Brenner also asked Boone Kirkman, undefeated heavyweight from Seattle, to meet Floyd Patterson in a fight to build up another opponent for Frazier. Manager Jack Hurley turned that down.

"My boy is ready for a championship fight," said Jack. "We don't have to build him up. He already has accomplished that."

It is Brenner's intention to gather into the Garden fold as many of the top contenders as possible, thus starting a tourney similar to that which Malitz and his Sports Action, Inc. completed with the Ellis-Quarry affair.

The Dundee offer to match Frazier with Jones doubtless was intended as a gratuitous insult to the Olympian, certainly not with any hope that Joe would be so hard up for a trip to Miami Beach.

Just how good Jones is has yet to be determined. Not so long ago Al had a ten rounder with Matt Blow, of Los Angeles, at Miami Beach, and Jones did not have much of an edge at the finish.

In any event, let it be said with certainty that to cash in to the utmost on the positions they have achieved, Ellis and Frazier will have to meet.

After a split decision heavyweight fight of importance there invariably are reports of a rematch.

However, it is doubtful that fans in any considerable numbers would pay to see Ellis and Quarry fight again.

Quarry's situation was bad. He was confronted with the necessity of having to start all over again. His victory over Patterson had been erased.

The bout in Oakland drew 11,356, who paid a gross of \$178,700 but each fighter is certain to beat his guarantee of \$125,000 with \$2000 for expenses.

It was less of a gathering that promoter Don Chargin had expected. There could be no doubt about the winner, the big surprise being that the officials voted the split decision.

Quarry was asked in his dressing room where he sat weary and keenly disappointed, how he felt about the verdict. "Ellis definitely won," he replied. "If the decision had been given to me, I would have refused to accept it."

Ellis and Quarry appeared on television, shown for free by ABC, which paid \$100,000, as it had for other cards on the elimination programme.

With a total of \$286,700, and the two fighters getting at least \$250,000, there wasn't very much gravy left for the promotion.

When it was pointed out to Angelo Dundee that, at the same time, he was the trainer of the legal world champion, Clay, and the "pretender," Ellis, he offered no solution. He said, "We will cross that bridge when we come to it."

Clay himself was not present at Oakland. There had been an outside chance that Cassius would come to see the effort of his former sparring partner. But Clay was busy with speech-making. He had been caught on TV here, there and everywhere, aspersing the war and whatever else.

Clay did not appear to be worried overmuch over the chance that the Federal District (No. 5) Court of Appeals would uphold the sentence of 5 years and \$10,000 for refusal to join the Army.

That appeal decision, by a three judge panel, long had been overdue and students of politics and racial matters had been offering all sorts of explanations.

There were stories that the Black Muslims had made a strong pitch for Ellis, and had failed.

Ellis now found himself rich beyond the wildest dreams of avarice and he did not have to look beyond Clay to see what the Black Muslims could do to a top-ranking fighter.

The fight clearly indicated that of all the contestants who appeared in the eight-man W.B.A. tourney and the Garden fight in which Frazier eliminated Buster Mathis in the 11th round, Frazier stands out as the best. It moved Joe far up as the most probable successor to Clay.

Neither Ellis nor Quarry looked like a champion. As counter punchers caution governed the moves of each, with Ellis faithfully following the orders of his mentor to keep away from the ropes, prevent Quarry from cornering him and make his fight in the ring center.

As a "world" championship fight it lacked thrills. The action in most of the rounds was slow and dull, due mostly to the evasive style employed by Ellis. But it enabled him to garner the honors. Jimmy kept backing away, often standing in mid-ring with hands down, waiting for Quarry to come forward.

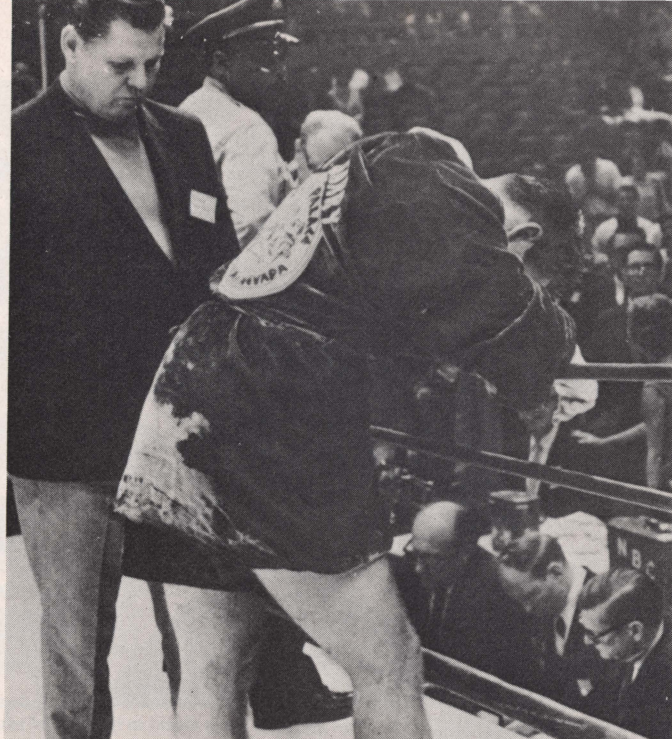
Dundee had planned the style for Jimmy and the Louisville boxer carried it out. In fact, so frustrated was Quarry by that style, that he often missed the target.

The one round in which Jerry had his best chance to win, was the 13th. It was the only one in which the drama was high. Quarry caught Ellis with a power right to the head and quickly followed with another right.

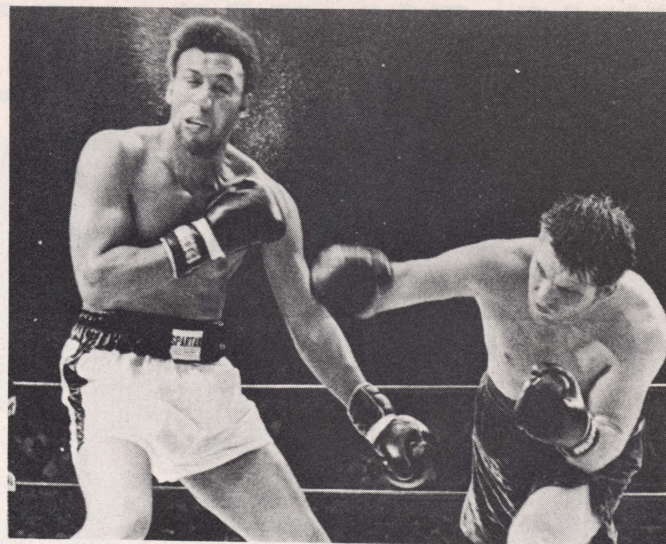
Both were close to the ropes and Quarry, who had difficulty in getting his opponent close enough to enable him to fight in the manner in which he has been accustomed, suddenly found himself in a position to go all out. He came off the ropes with a smashing left that snapped Jimmy's head back. Ellis grabbed Jerry to prevent going down.

Jimmy shook his head and pulled away from the ropes with

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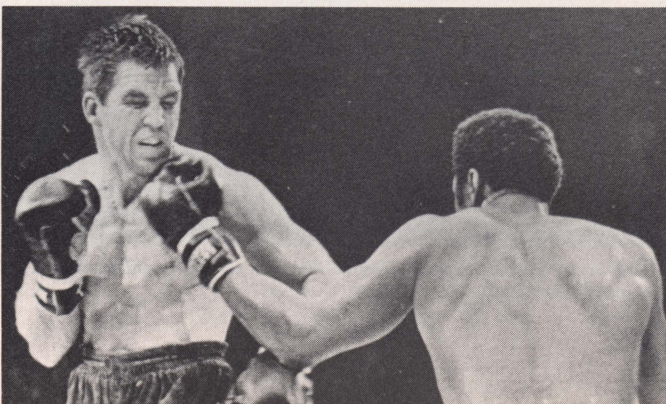


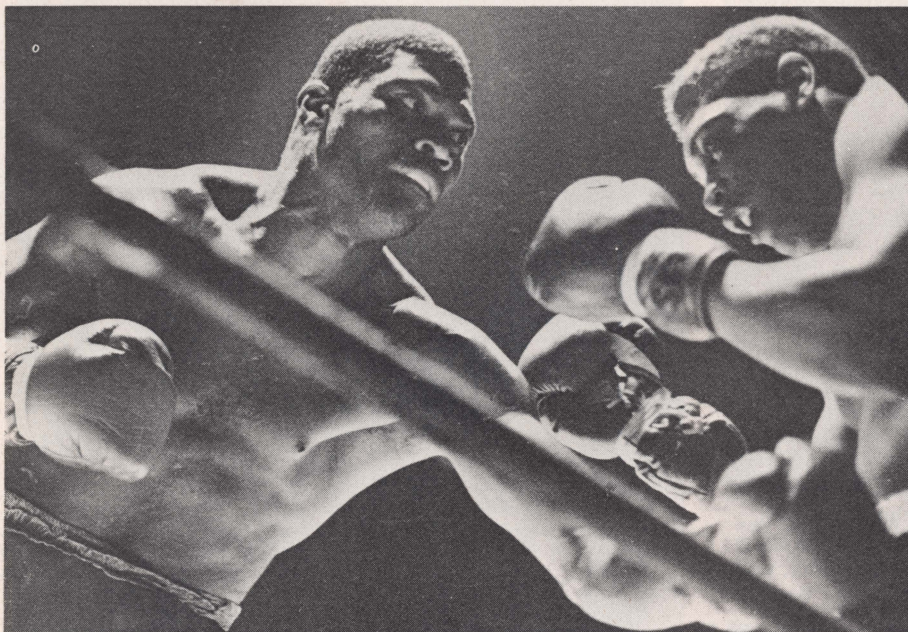
Jerry Quarry bows his head on the ropes as his father Jack, watches disconsolately. Quarry said "Ellis won. If the decision had been given to me, I would have refused to accept it."



The perspiration flies as Ellis is tagged with a good right by Quarry during the ninth round. Jimmy was momentarily stunned but wasn't hurt.

Ellis lands a stiff left uppercut to his favorite target, Quarry's chin. This occurred in the fourth round of the Oakland contest.



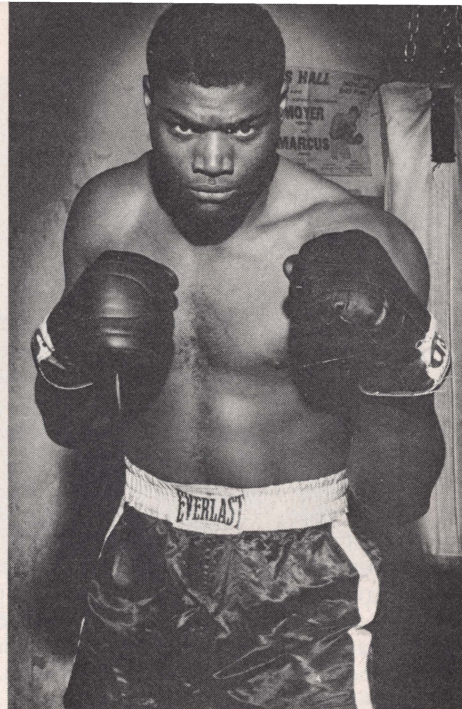


Here is Mac Foster, on the left, in the act of knocking Steve Grant in the second round of their bout in Fresno.

"I'LL BE HEAVYWEIGHT KING BY '70"—FOSTER



Sonny Moore (right) attempts to cover up against an onslaught by Foster. But Mac got to him, scoring a knockout in two rounds.



Here is the menacing figure of Mac Foster, who predicts he'll be heavyweight champion of the world by 1970.

By **BILLY MAHONEY**

FRESNO, CALIF.—“I am climbing the steps to the heavyweight championship one by one. I should reach the top by 1970.” So spoke Mac Foster, the newest candidate for the throne of the heavyweight championship of the world.

His full name is MacArthur Foster. His home is here in Fresno. He has won all 12 of his professional bouts by knockouts. Foster wants to be the second world champion to come out of Fresno. Young Corbett III, who held the welterweight title briefly in 1933, was the first.

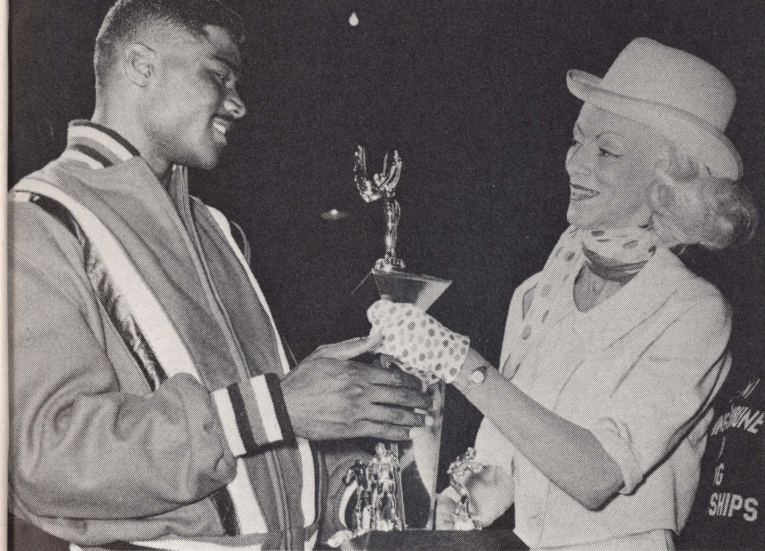
Mac was born in Alexandria, Louisiana, on June 27, 1942. His family moved to Fresno in 1943. He attended Washington Union High School from 1956 to 1960. He was a tackle on the football team. In track, Foster threw the discus and the shotput.

His father was a great admirer of General Douglas MacArthur and so named his son after the famed hero. Mac made his father proud of that choice as he served with honor and bravery in Vietnam for 20 months as a United States Marine. Foster entered the service in 1961. He was stationed in Okinawa in 1961-62. For eight months of 1962 he was stationed in Japan.

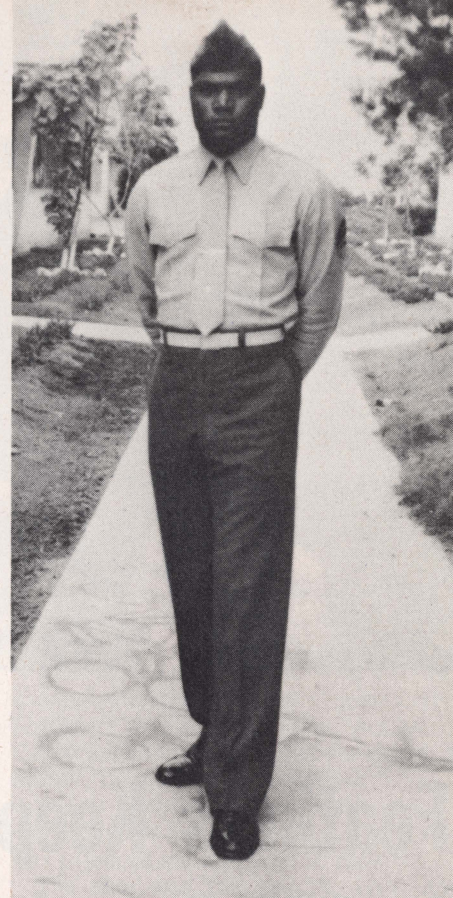
Mac began his boxing career in Japan in January, 1963. It was a matter of necessity rather than choice that he became a boxer. He was engaged to a Japanese girl, and soon discovered that by being a member of the boxing squad he could get more free time to see his girl. So he joined the boxing squad.

From January to March he engaged in five heavyweight bouts, winning them all by knockouts.

He was shipped back to Okinawa in April, 1963 and engaged in no more bouts.



(Left) Foster receives the Ed Sanders Award as the best boxer of the San Diego Tribune-AAU tourney from a Tribune representative. At right, we see Mac Foster of the U.S. Marines posing for a photo in Saigon.



From June to December, he served in Vietnam.

In January, 1964, Foster had two bouts in Okinawa, winning both by knockouts. The first bout won Mac the Third Division Marine title, the second won him the All-Service title.

He then returned to the Marine Base at Camp Pendleton, near San Diego, where he had two more bouts, winning both. He was crowned All-Marine champion.

In 1965, Foster engaged in 12 bouts at Camp Pendleton, winning 11. His only loss was to Jimmy Rosetta in the light heavyweight class, via a split decision. Rosetta skirted a return match by dropping down to the middleweight class.

The final bouts of the Navy versus the Marines in the San Diego Evening Tribune-AAU tourney, were held in the San Diego Coliseum. Foster won the AAU Light Heavyweight championship. By popular vote he was voted the best boxer of the tournament, this winning for his Camp Pendleton base the huge Ed Sanders Memorial Perpetual Trophy.

Foster was shipped back to Vietnam in 1965, serving with honor and distinction for 14 months in the combat infantry. He was a squad leader and engaged in 14 major operations.

Mac was discharged in 1966 and returned to Fresno where he started his professional boxing career in November of that year. His service boxing career encompassed 21 bouts. Foster had 20 wins and one loss. 17 wins were knockouts. He won a total of 14 service titles.

Foster wasted little time in launching his pro boxing career following his service duty. Foster placed himself under the management of Pat DiFuria, who also managed Wayne Thornton and Gabe Terronez.

DiFuria, a cautious type of manager who explores every phase of an opponent's career before matching any of his fighters, almost made a fatal mistake in matching Foster in his first pro bout at Las Vegas,

Fresno Slugger Has Knocked Out All 12 Opponents

Foster smiles while inspecting his articles of war during a lull in the fighting in Vietnam.



Nevada, Nov. 28, 1966.

DiFuria had selected Jim Gilmore, a blubbery 245-pounder, for Foster. The sound of the opening bell had barely died away when Foster found himself flat on his back from a right hand. He barely made it up at nine. A flurry of punches and Mac was down again. He struggled to his feet at nine. The bell came to his rescue as he was reeling on rubbery legs.

In the second, Foster was fighting for his life but remained on his feet. He came out strong for the third round and soon had Gilmore on the floor with a left hook. Mac finished him off with a hard body smash.

Foster showed little ability in his first professional bout, but did display courage and the will to win. Foster was eager to continue his career. DiFuria, his manager, knew from experience that you can't teach a fighter courage and determination, but you can teach him to enhance this ability.

Foster is built perfectly for a heavyweight. He stands 6 ft. 3 in, and weighs between 203 and 208 for his bouts. He is solidly built and reminds one of Joe Louis.

One of his opponents, L. J. Wheeler, stood 6-9 and weighed 245. He looked like a giant compared to Foster, but Mac cut him down to size with body punches

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Feathers Keep Flying In 126-Pound Division

(Above) Sal Bartolo is counted out by referee Rudy Goldstein in the 12th round after being stopped by Willie Pep on June 7, 1946, at Madison Square Garden. Pep had been universally recognized for several years, but this victory cemented his hold on the feather crown. (Below) Young Corbett II, who staked his claim on the division's title after knocking out Terry McGovern at Hartford, Conn., in 1901.

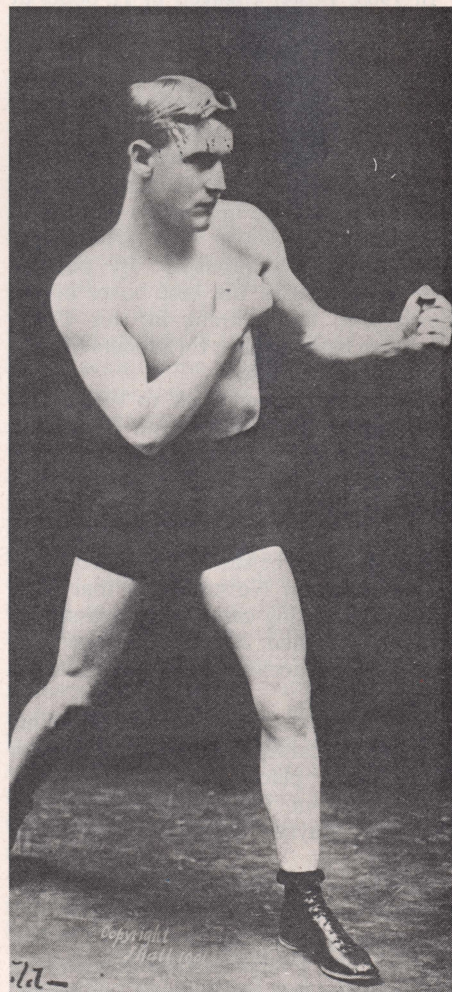
By JERSEY JONES

HERE we go again . . . into another confusing scramble for a vacant world championship.

This time it involves the featherweights, who haven't had a universally recognized title-holder since Vicente Saldivar, the talented Mexican southpaw, announced his withdrawal from competition last October after demolishing Howard Winstone, the British champion, in Mexico City. It was the third time Saldivar had beaten Winstone in championship outings, and the elimination of the clever Welshman left the Mexican without a serious challenger. He had already accomplished a comprehensive job of turning back just about every other noteworthy rival.

With Saldivar's retirement, a natural development was a world-wide elimination series to determine his successor. Three of the suggested entries had been Saldivar victims—Winstone, Mitsunori Seki of

Hogan (Kid) Bassey, from Nigeria, who reigned as king of the 126-pounders from June, 1957 through March, 1959. Bassey captured an elimination tourney after Sandy Saddler's retirement.





Vicente Saldívar, the Mexican, whose retirement as champion has spurred the current crop of claimants to vie for his vacated throne. Saldívar won the title in 1964 and hung up the gloves last October.

Japan and Raul Rojas of San Pedro, California. Other eligibles included the Australian champion, Johnny Famechon; Cuban-born Spaniard Jose Legra and Bobby Valdez of San Diego, California.

The eliminations promptly began to produce confusion. Winstone stopped Seki in London, and British authorities immediately proclaimed the Welshman the new world champion.

California lost no time claiming the title for Rojas when he outpointed an undistinguished South American, Antonio Herrera, of Colombia, in Los Angeles. When another little known Colombian, Enrique Higgins, was imported for a Los Angeles date with Rojas, the World Boxing Association announced it would recognize the winner as champion. Again Rojas won.

So now we had two world champions—Howard Winstone in Britain and Raul

Rojas in territories supervised by the W. B. A.

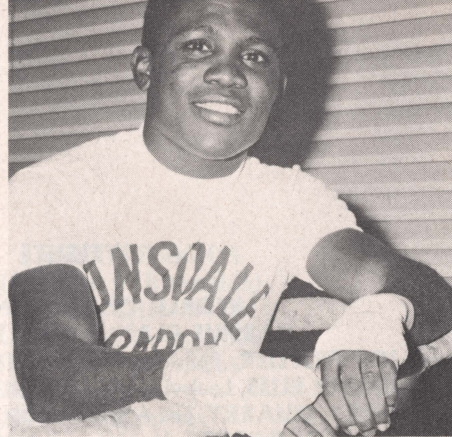
Meanwhile, Legra strengthened his pretensions by acquiring the vacant European title in a Madrid meeting with the Frenchman Yves Desmarests.

What happens from here on in is anybody's guess. It is to be fervently hoped, however, that it isn't another 10 years before the problem is definitely solved. That's how long it required for an undisputed champion to be crowned after Battling Battalino of Hartford, Conn., relinquished the laurels early in 1932. In that confusing decade an assortment of champions and title claimants cluttered up the muddled scene. In the lot were Tommy Paul, Kid Chocolate, Freddie Miller, Petey Sarron, Henry Armstrong, Leo Rodak, Joey Archibald, Harry Jeffra, Chalky Wright, Petey Scalzo, Richie Lemos, Pittsburgh Jackie Wilson, Jackie Callura, Phil Terranova and Sal Bartolo. Eventually, Willie Pep of Hartford arrived and did a thorough job of cleaning up the situation, eliminating his main rivals and earning world-wide recognition as champion in '42.

Elimination series for the world title have been fairly common in the featherweight division since Young Corbett 2nd (Billy Rothwell) came east from Denver in 1901 to startle the industry by knocking out supposedly invincible Terry McGovern in Hartford.

Actually, the bout did not involve the featherweight championship. The weight limit for the division in those days was 122 pounds, and the match was arranged for 126. Nevertheless, Corbett claimed the laurels, but McGovern insisted he was still champion, and the dispute was never settled.

Since Corbett admittedly could not "make" 122 pounds, and McGovern eventually outgrew the division, the title



Jose Legra, the Cuban-born Spaniard, who is the current European featherweight titleholder after defeating Frenchman Yves Desmarests via a three-round KO last December.

bounced around the open market until Jack McKenna, managing Abe Attell of San Francisco, decided to make a bid for it.

McKenna matched Attell with a former champion, George Dixon, in Cripple Creek, Colorado, and advertised the bout as for the vacant championship. At the end of 20 rounds, the decision was a draw.

A few weeks later, the rivals were rematched, this time in St. Louis, and Abe was adjudged the winner in 15 rounds.

The date was October 28, 1901, and Attell's claim to the championship was generally recognized until Washington's Birthday (which also was Abe's), in 1912, when the San Franciscan was outpointed by Johnny Kilbane in a 20-rounder in Vernon, Cal.

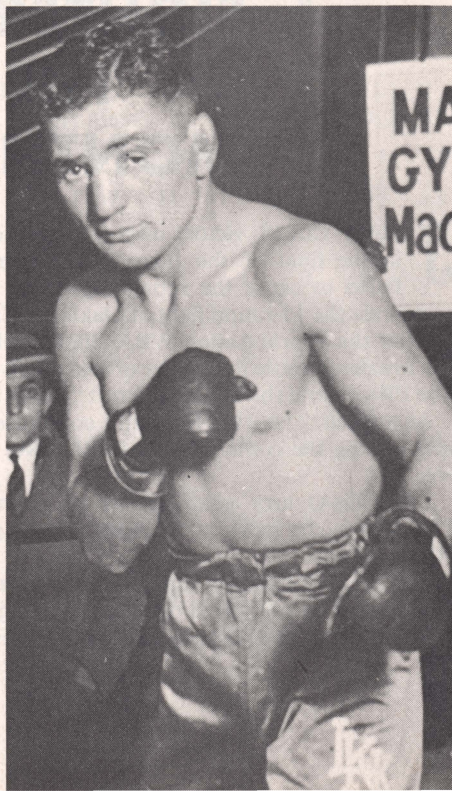
The next elimination series in the division followed Johnny Dundee's abdication in 1924.

The New York State Athletic Commission sanctioned that series, with six entries. All bouts were staged in Madison

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On the left, we see Howard Winstone in the act of defeating Mitsunori Seki this past January to win the British version of the world feather title. At right is Louis Kid Kaplan, winner of an elimination tourney in 1925, following Johnny Dundee's abdication in 1924. Kaplan reigned until 1927, when he moved up to the lightweight class.



WORLD

By NAT FLEISCHER

HEAVYWEIGHTS (over 175 pounds) WORLD CHAMPION

CASSIUS CLAY, Houston, Texas

- 1—**JOE FRAZIER**, Philadelphia, Pa.
- 2—**JIMMY ELLIS**, Louisville, Ky.
- 3—**JERRY QUARRY**, Los Angeles, Cal.
- 4—**MANUEL RAMOS**, Mexico
- 5—**OSCAR BONAVENA**, Argentina
- 6—**THAD SPENCER**, San Francisco, Cal.
- 7—**EDUARDO CORLETTI**, England
- 8—**FLOYD PATTERSON**, Great Neck, L. I.
- 9—**BOONE KIRKMAN**, Seattle, Wash.
- 10—**HENRY CLARK**, San Francisco, Cal.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS (not over 175 pounds) WORLD CHAMPION **DICK TIGER**, Biafra

- 1—**BOB FOSTER**, Washington, D. C.
- 2—**GREGORIO PERALTA**, Argentina
- 3—**JOSE TORRES**, Puerto Rico
- 4—**BOB DUNLOP**, Australia
- 5—**LOTHAR STENGEL**, Germany
- 6—**PIERO DEL PAPA**, Italy
- 7—**HAROLD JOHNSON**, Philadelphia, Pa.
- 8—**MARK TESSMAN**, Houston, Texas
- 9—**ROGER ROUSE**, Anaconda, Mont.
- 10—**BERNARD THEBAULT**, France

JIMMY ELLIS FIGHTER OF THE MONTH

JIMMY ELLIS' victory on a split decision over Jerry Quarry in the final of the heavyweight elimination tournament failed to cause the ratings upheaval which had been expected via the 15-round fight at Oakland, Cal.

After the Sports Action-WBA climax, Ellis was challenged by Joe Frazier to settle the matter of leadership behind Cassius Clay. The Ellis coterie showed no interest "at this time."

As a result, The Ring Magazine continues Frazier in the No. 1 spot among the contenders, with Ellis No. 2, and Jerry Quarry No. 3.

The Ellis-Quarry affair settled no championship questions. Clay still is the world titleholder, pending the final outcome of his appeals.

The WBA contention that Ellis now must be rated the champion cannot be supported on a legal and logical basis.

Ellis' victory over Quarry made him the Fighter of the Month.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS (not over 160 pounds) WORLD CHAMPION **NINO BENVENUTI**, Italy

- 1—**EMILE GRIFFITH**, New York, N. Y.
- 2—**LUIS RODRIGUEZ**, Miami Beach, Fla.
- 3—**SANDRO MAZZINGHI**, Italy
- 4—**KI SOO KIM**, Korea
- 5—**DON FULLMER**, West Jordan, Utah
- 6—**FERD HERNANDEZ**, Las Vegas, Nev.
- 7—**JUAN CARLOS DURAN**, Italy
- 8—**TOM BOGS**, Denmark
- 9—**FREDDIE LITTLE**, New Orleans, La.
- 10—**GYPSY JOE HARRIS**, Philadelphia, Pa.

WELTERWEIGHTS (not over 147 pounds) WORLD CHAMPION **CURTIS COKE**s, Dallas, Texas

- 1—**JOSE NAPOLES**, Mexico
- 2—**ERNIE LOPEZ**, Las Vegas, Nev.
- 3—**PERCY PUGH**, New Orleans, La.
- 4—**RAUL SORIANO**, Mexico
- 5—**CARMELO BOSSI**, Italy
- 6—**WILLIE LUDICK**, South Africa
- 7—**JOE SHAW**, New York, N. Y.
- 8—**MANUEL GONZALEZ**, Odessa, Texas
- 9—**JEAN JOSSELIN**, France
- 10—**STAN HAYWARD**, Philadelphia, Pa.

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS (not over 140 pounds) WORLD CHAMPION **PAUL FUJII**, Honolulu, Hawaii

- 1—**JOHANN ORSOLICS**, Austria
- 2—**NICOLINO LOCHE**, Argentina
- 3—**RODRIGO VALDEZ**, Colombia
- 4—**MARCEL CERDAN**, France
- 5—**EDDIE PERKINS**, Chicago, Ill.
- 6—**WILLI QUATUOR**, Germany
- 7—**JUAN SOMBRITA**, Spain
- 8—**BARRERA CORPAS**, Spain
- 9—**ADOLPH PRUITT**, St. Louis, Mo.
- 10—**RENALDO VICTORIA**, Pittsfield, Mass.

The Ring Magazine has dropped Karl Mildenerger and Buster Mathis from its heavyweight ratings. Mildenerger forfeited his right to membership among the Top Ten by being knocked out by Leotis Martin.

On the threshold of a return to the big coterie, Martin was shoved aside by Henry Clark, California champion, who whipped Martin on the Ellis-Quarry card.

Floyd Patterson was dropped to No. 8 because of inactivity. He stood on the sidelines with the belief that Quarry would beat Ellis, and that he, Floyd, would then challenge Jerry, against whom he showed a defeat and a draw. Now Patterson must direct his fire at Ellis.

In place of Mildenerger and Mathis, The Ring has moved Boone Kirkman and Clark into the Top Ten, the Seattle heavy taking ninth place and Clark tenth.

The realignment of the heavyweights finds them rated like this;—

RATINGS

RATINGS FOR THE MONTH ENDING MAY 20, 1968

LIGHTWEIGHTS (not over 135 pounds) WORLD CHAMPION

CARLOS ORTIZ, New York, N. Y.

- 1—**CARLOS (TEO) CRUZ**, Dominican Rep.
- 2—**ISMAEL LAGUNA**, Panama
- 3—**PEDRO CARRASCO**, Spain
- 4—**BORGE KROGH**, Denmark
- 5—**FRANKIE NARVAEZ**, Puerto Rico
- 6—**KEN BUCHANAN**, Scotland
- 7—**LLOYD MARSHALL**, Newark, N. J.
- 8—**PEDRO ADIGUE**, Philippines
- 9—**CARLOS ARO**, Argentina
- 10—**AKIHISA SOMEYA**, Japan

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS (not over 130 pounds) WORLD CHAMPION

HIROSHI KOBAYASHI, Japan

- 1—**JOSE LEGRA**, Spain
- 2—**RENE BARRIENTOS**, Philippines
- 3—**YOSHIAKI NUMATA**, Japan
- 4—**CARLOS CANETE**, Argentina
- 5—**MANDO RAMOS**, Los Angeles, Cal.
- 6—**MARCUS ANDERSON**, Louisville, Ky.
- 7—**KANG SUH IL**, Korea
- 8—**KID TANO**, Spain
- 9—**JAIME VALLADARES**, Ecuador
- 10—**RUBEN NAVARRO**, Los Angeles, Cal.

FEATHERWEIGHTS (not over 126 pounds) WORLD CHAMPION TITLE VACANT

- 1—**HOWARD WINSTONE**, Wales
- 2—**BOBBY VALDEZ**, San Diego, Cal.
- 3—**JOHNNY FAMECHON**, Australia
- 4—**RAUL ROJAS**, San Pedro, Calif.
- 5—**DWIGHT HAWKINS**, Los Angeles, Calif.
- 6—**JOSE JIMENEZ**, Mexico
- 7—**RAY ECHAVARRIA**, San Jose, Cal.
- 8—**FRANKIE CRAWFORD**, Los Angeles, Cal.
- 9—**PEDRO GOMEZ**, Venezuela
- 10—**JOSE MORENO**, San Jose, Cal.

World Champion, Cassius Clay. Contenders; 1, Joe Frazier; 2, Jimmy Ellis; 3, Jerry Quarry; 4, Manuel Ramos; 5, Oscar Bonavena; 6, Thad Spencer; 7, Eduardo Corletti; 8, Floyd Patterson; 9, Boone Kirkman; 10, Henry Clark.

In the light heavyweight class, The Ring has lifted former champion Jose Torres from No. 6 to No. 3, and has dropped Australian Bob Dunlop, knocked out by Jose, to No. 4. Challenger Bob Foster is No. 1 behind champion Dick Tiger, and Greg Peralta No. 2.

Examining ratings down the line, we find Percy Pugh quitting the junior welters for No. 3 among the welters, the New Orleans fighter having beaten Joe Shaw. Willie Ludick tumbled to No. 6 after his demolition by champion Curtis Cokes.

The indeterminate featherweight situation leaves us with the title vacant and the top locations like this; 1, Howard Winstone; 2, Bobby Valdez; 3, Johnny Famechon; 4, Raul Rojas.

BANTAMWEIGHTS (not over 118 pounds) WORLD CHAMPION

LIONEL ROSE, Australia

- 1—**JESUS PIMENTEL**, Los Angeles, Cal.
- 2—**TAKEO SAKURAI**, Japan
- 3—**ROLLIE PENAROYA**, Philippines
- 4—**EIGO TAKAGI**, Japan
- 5—**FIGHTING HARADA**, Japan
- 6—**RUBEN OLIVARES**, Mexico
- 7—**FRANCO ZURLO**, Italy
- 8—**BERNARDO CARABALLO**, Colombia
- 9—**SALVATORE BURRUNI**, Italy
- 10—**KAZUYOSHI KANAZAWA**, Japan

FLYWEIGHTS (not over 112 pounds) WORLD CHAMPION

CHARTCHAI CHIONOI, Thailand

- 1—**RATON MOJICA**, Nicaragua
- 2—**OCTAVIO GOMEZ**, Mexico
- 3—**JOHN McCLUSKEY**, Scotland
- 4—**HIROYUKI EBHARA**, Japan
- 5—**HORACIO ACCAVALLO**, Argentina
- 6—**EFREN TORRES**, Mexico
- 7—**BERNABE VILLACAMPO**, Philippines
- 8—**WALTER McGOWAN**, Scotland
- 9—**FERNANDO ATZORI**, Italy
- 10—**JOSE SEVERINO**, Brazil

PROSPECTS FOR THE MONTH

Names	Pro	Total				
	Debut	Bouts	Won	Lost	Draws	KO's
HEAVYWEIGHT						
Bill Schellhas Renton, Wash.	10/67	6	5	1	0	4
LIGHT-HEAVYWEIGHT						
Richard Steele Los Angeles, Cal.	11/66	7	6	1	0	5
MIDDLEWEIGHT						
Billy Strother Houston, Texas	1/67	11	9	2	0	3
WELTERWEIGHT						
Dennis Clement Honolulu, Hawaii	4/67	4	4	0	0	2
LIGHTWEIGHT						
Pajarito Corona Mexico	2/68	6	4	0	2	0
FEATHERWEIGHT						
Jimmy Revie England	9/66	15	14	1	0	13
BANTAMWEIGHT						
Masataka Uno Japan	10/66	17	13	3	1	4
FLYWEIGHT						
Yoshiaki Matsumoto Japan	1/67	15	14	0	1	6



(Above) A beaten and battered Willie Ludick is held against the ropes by the referee after the welterweight titlb battle with champion Curtis Cokes was stopped in the fifth round. (Below) Cokes smashes a wicked right while floored the South African for a six-count in the fifth. Ludick then took a battering which prompted the ring official to halt matters.

DALLAS, TEX.—Curtis Cokes, welterweight champion, proved himself a fine holder of the world title, and South Africa's Willie Ludick turned out to be a sad disappointment in a fight stopped by the referee in the fifth round. At long last there no longer is any doubt as to where the Africander stands among the 147-pound contenders.

The question now is, where does Cokes go from there? The welter ratings play up Jose Napoles, and Raul Soriano, Mexico; Ernie Lopez, Las Vegas; Carmelo Bossi, of Italy, and Percy Pugh, of New Orleans.

That Cokes would draw big with any of these men except Pugh is regarded as doubtful in the U.S. Napoles would draw in Mexico.

Cokes reportedly has something like \$250,000 stashed away and is not inclined to hang around fighting nonentities for low pay. Cokes appears to be eyeing retirement.

Cokes was born in 1937, so he is 31. He has been fighting pro since March 1958 and has been in 62 fights, with 23 knockouts, 27 won by decision, 3 draws, and one defeat by KO. Stan Hayward stopped him in four rounds in 1964 at Philadelphia.

Cokes has developed into a skilled, hard hitting and adroit fighter and may be too good for any other in his class. He has not talked about invading the middleweight domain of Nino Benvenuti.

For Ludick, Cokes weighed 145¾ pounds. The South African tipped the beam at 146¼.

It was the third successful defense by Cokes, who found the challenger an easy opponent. Cokes started the downfall of his rival with a powerful right uppercut that sent Ludick wobbling toward the ropes. There he remained for several seconds before going to the canvas.

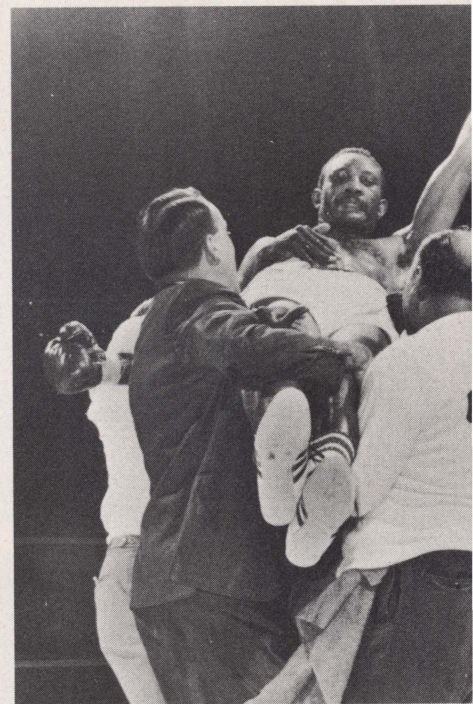
Referee Lew Erskine counted six when the South African got to his feet in a dazed condition. He permitted Cokes to resume the attack for a few seconds, then halted the action and declared the Texan the winner by a technical knockout.

Although the challenger had come to the USA highly recommended, he was outclassed by the champion. The bout was halted in 34 seconds of the fifth round.

Ludick lacked both aggressiveness and a punch. He landed a

Victorious Cokes Appears To Have No More Welter Worlds To Conquer





Victorious Cokes
(Left) Ludick is sent to the canvas like a fallen oak by the knockdown blow. (Above) Cokes is carried around the ring by his handlers after being declared the winner and still champion after the third successive defense of his crown.

few times with light rights and lefts when at close range but failed to attack with one solid blow. Once he was warned for butting. He was not in the fight.

As in his past performances, Cokes made good use of counter punching. He opened a cut over Ludick's right eye in the second round, another in the challenger's left ear and added to the visitor's misery by feasting a heavy hemorrhage in the fourth round.

Since winning the world crown by defeating Jean Josselin in Dallas following Emile Griffith's move into the middleweight division, Cokes has knocked out Francois Pavilla in the tenth round, then again retained the title by knocking out Charley Shipes in Oakland, in the eighth round.

Now that he has disposed of his third challenger, there is talk of a match between Cokes and Pugh. However, at this writing, Lou Messina, the promoter in New Orleans, where such a contest would be staged, refuses to give into Cokes' pilot Doug Lord's demand for a guarantee of \$30,000. Messina says the bout would draw \$75,000 and he is prepared to give a 40 percent guarantee to the champion. Promoter Mario Ochoa of Mexico City is hot on the trail of a Cokes-Napoles bout. Such a contest, he says, would fill the Mexican arena since Napoles is a homeland popular boy.

From Philadelphia, Lord has been offered Stan Hayward, who has stopped Cokes, as an opponent. Soriano figures in Lord's list of possible opponents for Cokes.

The champion, declared after the bout that he hopes to continue boxing for two more years after which he will retire to carry on his restaurant business. Discussing Ludick, he said he was surprised at the ease with which he won. He said:

"I figured that Ludick, being a southpaw, I'd have a tough battle on my hands. But as things turned out, it was one of my easiest wins. I was told not to take chances because of the un-

orthodox style of my opponent, but I had no worries at any time. After the first round I knew I would win easily and I opened up to end the affair as quickly as possible."

Asked who among the top welters he would like to face next, he said: "I leave that up to Mr. Lord. He knows what's best for me. I'm eager to end my career as a champion and I don't think any of the rated welters of the present crop can stop me."

Cokes started scoring with right handed blows to the face soon after the opening gong. He kept offering himself as a target to get Ludick into position for heavy counter punches and this paid off. The South African tried several times to press the fight, but Cokes gave him no openings to enable the challenger to attack with his left hook.

Dave Levinson, Johannesburg promoter who brought Ludick to America and put up \$50,000 as a guarantee for Cokes, was surprised by the poor showing of Ludick.

"He's much better than he showed here," said Levinson. "Ludick is a good hitter, but was unable to tag his man, whose back-moving style had Willie baffled."

The South African, who is 26 years old, has been fighting only six years as against ten for the champion. He has engaged in 28 bouts of which he won 25. Two of his losing contests were due to cuts.

The gate was far below what Levinson had expected. He figured on \$90,000 but announced that only \$52,000 had been collected. He stated that the television rights sold to Mexico and to 30 outlets in the United States would bring in an additional \$35,000. Ludick received 15% of the total receipts, slightly over \$10,000.

The champion left the bout without a blemish. Cokes led by a wide margin on the cards of the officials. The judges and referee had it 40-35 and 40-36 on the 10 point per round system and the referee's score was 40-35.

Willie Ritchie says He'd Do It All Over Again

By JOE NETRO

(Former co-manager of Carmen Basilio)

MILLBRAE, CALIF. In this little city of 20,000 population, lives Willie Ritchie, who was lightweight champion of the world in 1912-1914. Willie and Ethel, his wife of 50 years, are very happy people. Willie is 76, looks 60, is in fine health, plays golf daily and works in his garden.

Upon Ritchie's retirement from boxing, he was appointed Chief Boxing Inspector of the State of California in 1934 and held the job for 28 years. At the age of 65, he retired.

Willie receives a pension from the State of California, lives in a \$40,000 home, and is one of Millbrae's most respected citizens.

While in California in December, 1967, to visit my son, who lives in San Jose, I decided to pay a visit to see my boyhood boxing idol. I drove over with two of my friends; Floyd "Red" Taylor, of Santa Clara, who hosts an annual old time boxers dinner, and Bill Frietas of San Jose, a boxing historian.

Visiting with Ritchie will always be one of the highlights of my 50 years in boxing. During those years I had great moments as I co-managed a great welterweight and middleweight champion of the world, Carmen Basilio, who appeared in 11 TV championship fights.

Willie enjoys watching all sports events on the color TV in his den.

Willie rates Carlos Ortiz the best lightweight champion since the days of Benny Leonard. "Ortiz would have held his own in our days of Ad Wolgast, Battling Nelson, Freddie Welsh and Joe Rivers," Ritchie said.

Ritchie rated the greatest fighters he has seen in action as follows:

- Jim Jeffries—heavyweight
- Bob Fitzsimmons—light heavyweight
- Stanley Ketchell—middleweight
- Tommy Ryan—welterweight
- Joe Gans—lightweight
- Abe Attell—featherweight
- Johnny Coulon—bantamweight
- Pancho Villa—flyweight

Willie is a member of the Boxing Hall of Fame and is very proud of his career as a lightweight champion and as a boxing commissioner for 28 years.

"I wouldn't change a thing if I had to do it over again" he said. "Boxing was very good to me. I made some wonderful life-long friends, I'm grateful I had the ability to become successful."



Here is how Willie Ritchie, former lightweight champion, appeared in his prime, some 55 years ago.



(Above), Ritchie, now 76, is shown in his den at home in Millbrae, California, displaying his many trophies. (Below) Willie, seated, poses with three friends, Bill Frietas, Joe Netro and Floyd (Red) Taylor.



Here is Ritchie enjoying himself as he putters around a lemon tree in the garden outside his comfortable home.

SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA—The Bob Dunlop world light heavyweight championship bubble has burst. Jose Torres, former titleholder in that class, did it. Round six, and make no mistake, it has burst.

Australian fight fans now must pin their hopes for world achievement on Lionel Rose, the new bantamweight champion, who has made inquiries in New York and Los Angeles about his being in demand in these American boxing centres.

Dunlop was off form. But he can offer no excuses. He was doomed from the second round on. He had been rushed.

Bob made Torres again look like the light heavy who belted out Willie Pastrano.

Dunlop set up a fight for Torres with Roger Rouse, who was knocked out by Dick Tiger. In short, Torres has started all over again.

With blood pouring from cuts above both eyes, blurring his vision, in the sixth, Australian and Empire light heavyweight champion Dunlop, 174½, stopped boxing, stepped back and tried to brush the gore from his eyes.

Torres, 175, had a wide-open target, but he smiled and lowered his hands. Torres had no intention of taking such an advantage.

Referee Vic Patrick stepped in immediately and declared Torres a KO winner. That was in the sixth round of their bout at Sydney Stadium. The crowd of more than 10,000, which paid a total of almost \$50,000, cheered the Puerto Rican's sportsmanlike action.

At the end the points were very close, but a KO win by Torres was in the cards right from the second round, when he bounced a right off Dunlop's jaw and had him on Queer Street.

Dunlop never got started after that second round bombardment which followed that initial right hand from Torres.

The Australian showed fighting heart. Before the second stanza was over he was battling hard, throwing punches and landing more than the Puerto Rican. His fighting instinct kept him in there fighting in every round, but his actions were governed purely by instinct, not by ringcraft. In that department Bobby was lacking. He was nonplussed, unsure of what to do. He just

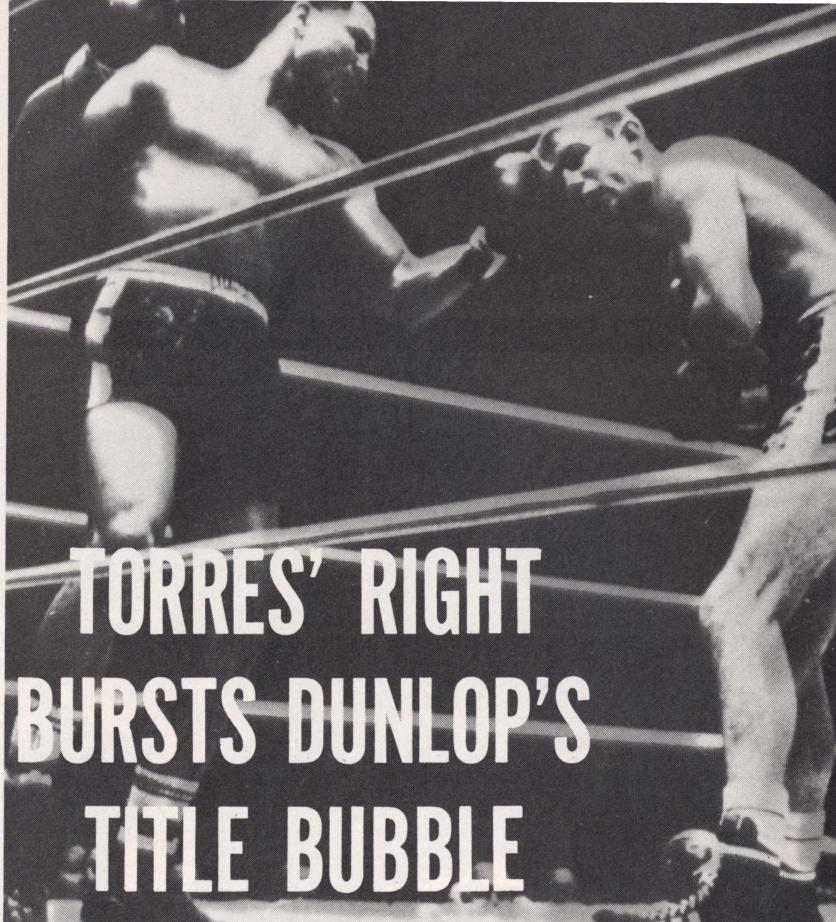
threw punches.

Torres bided his time. He did not care how many points our champion accumulated. He knew he had destructive power in his gloves and had no intention of wasting energy by the indiscriminate exchange of punches.

After the fight, Dunlop was speaking over microphones. Always superlatively fit, he wasn't breathing hard.

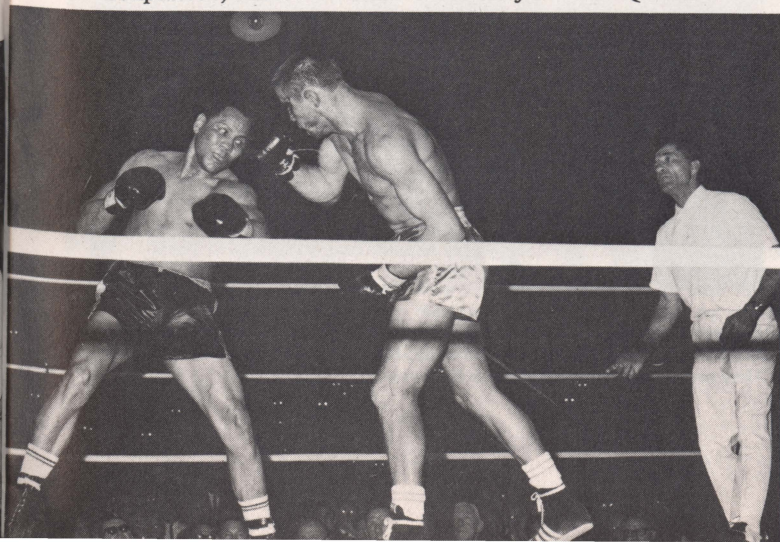
Torres, on the other hand, was blowing like a grampus and rested for a half hour or so on his dressing room table.

Dunlop is enjoying a rest. Unaffected by the fight, except for the eye injuries, each of which took two stitches, he is leaving his future in the hands of manager Ern McQuillan.



TORRES' RIGHT BURSTS DUNLOP'S TITLE BUBBLE

Jose Torres tosses a left uppercut to the head of Bob Dunlop during the fourth round of their light heavyweight bout in Sydney. Torres stopped the Aussie boxer in the sixth round.



Here is the sixth round. Dunlop (right) is bleeding from cuts above both eyes. The end is near. Referee Patrick will step in to halt matters in a few seconds.

Bob should be back in action in a couple of months but the choice of opponent has not been decided. He needs a year or two of action against men not as seasoned as Torres, in order to gain that needed ringcraft.

By then he should be ready for the top men. McQuillan realizes this. Maybe an Englishman or a European will furnish Dunlop with his next opposition.

Right now Dunlop is good enough to tackle the best boxers in the world as long as they are not deadly hitters. With more ringcraft he won't be as easy to hit, and if dazed at any time, will not fall into the errors he exhibited against Torres.

In an eight-round supporting bout, Eddie Dawson, 148, outpointed George Fogas, 147.

Other Australian bouts:

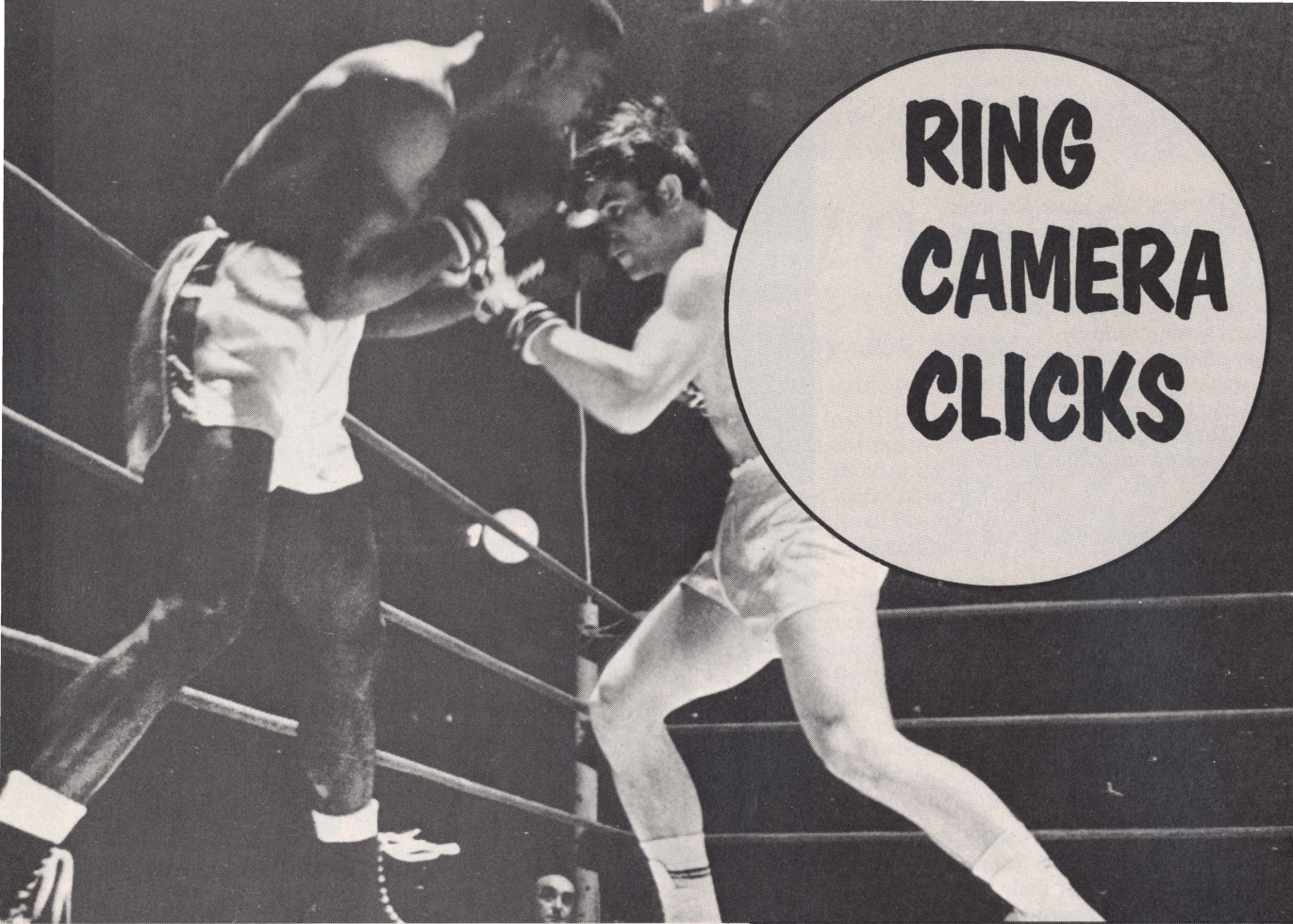
► At the Manly-Warringah Leagues Club, Manly (Sydney suburb), Fred Wicks, 132, won a ten-round points decision over Tony Rok, 127, in a good fight. Two weeks later Wicks beat Giacomo Gulino, 133, on a foul in the seventh round.

Gulino tripped over referee Ern Clingan's foot, lost his temper, picked up Wicks and tried to throw him over the top rope. Clingan immediately disqualified Gulino.

► At HSV Channel 7 TV Studios, South Melbourne, former Australian junior-

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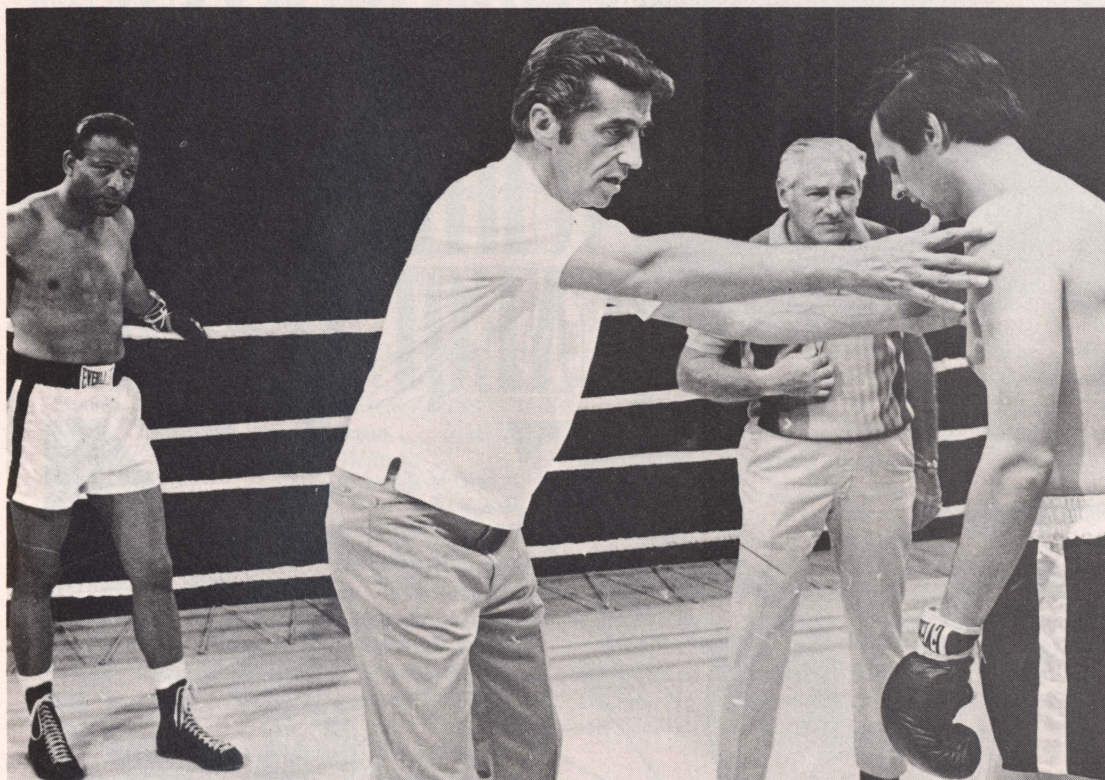
RING CAMERA CLICKS



(Above) American middleweight Dub Huntley (left) lands a left on the nose of French middleweight champion Jo Gonzalez at the Palais des Sports. Huntley won a 10-round decision. (Below) Ex-heavyweight king Joe Louis gives the victory sign as he's wheeled to a news conference in Detroit's Kirkwood General Hospital following removal of his gall bladder and appendix.

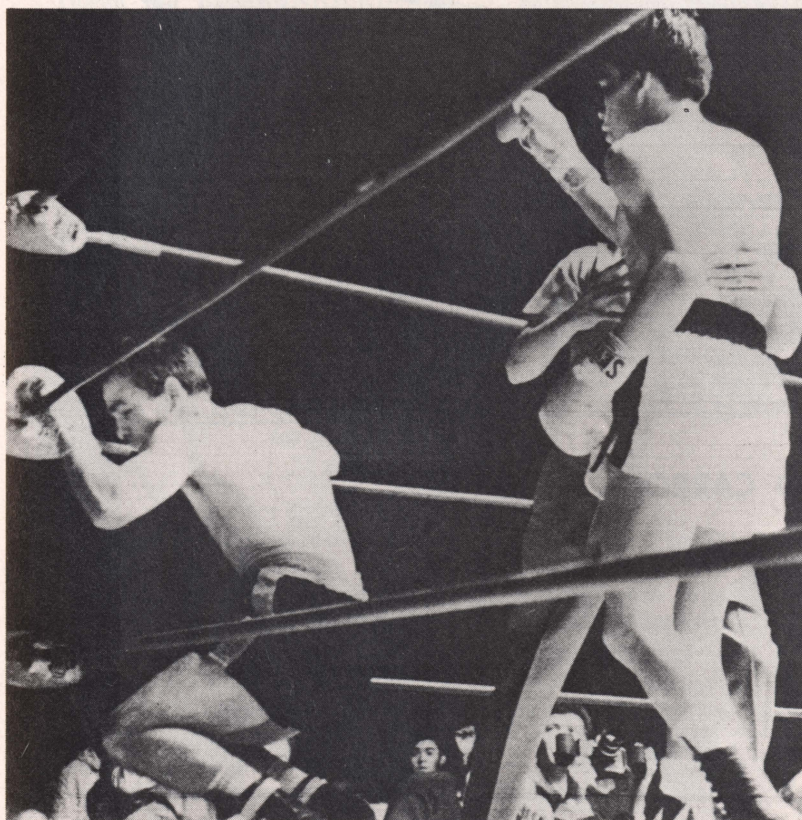


British heavyweight Billy Walker, once considered a top-notch, poses with his pretty bride, the former Sue Coleopy, following their wedding in London. They met at one of the restaurants he owns.



Sugar Ray Robinson (left) looks on as Alan Alda (right) receives instructions from director Alex March during a boxing sequence for the movie "Paper Moon." Alda plays George Plimpton in the film, which recounts Plimpton's experiences as a "guest pro" in various sports.

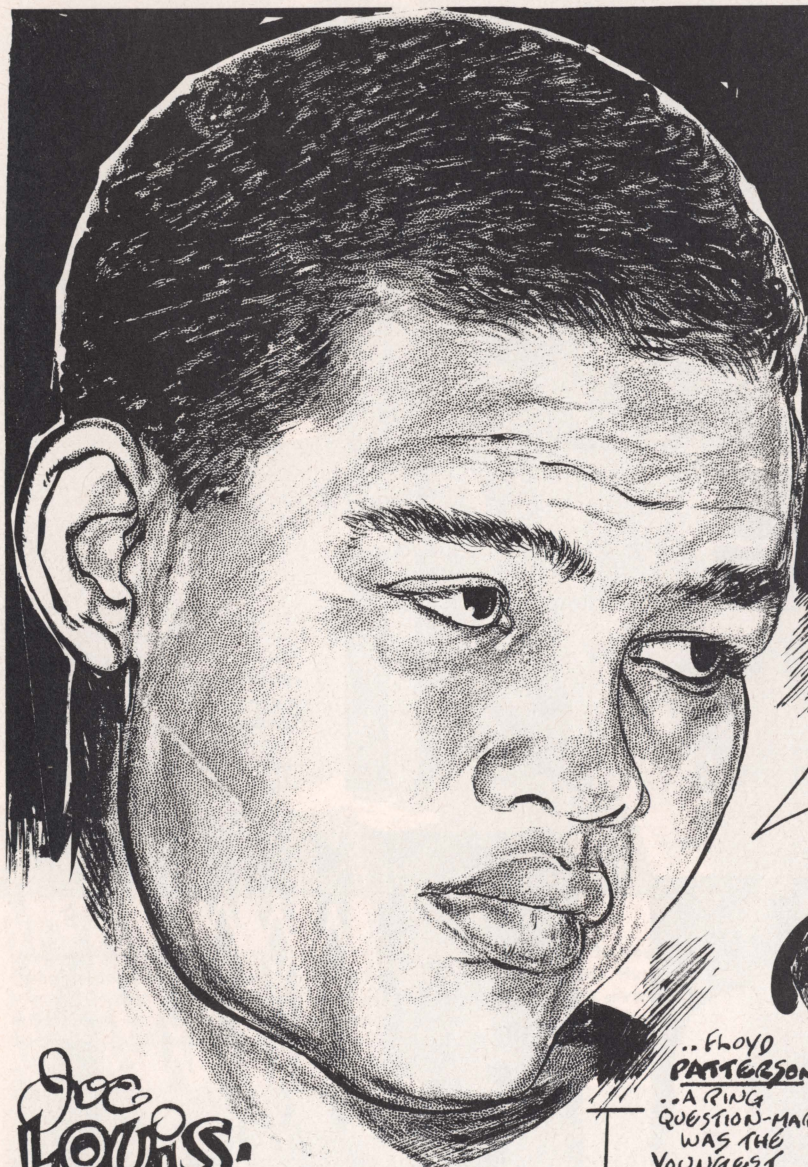
Cassius Clay speaks to some residents of Harlem following a night marked by sporadic outbreaks of looting and fires in that section of New York City. Clay then left in a cab for downtown Manhattan.



European bantamweight king Salvatore Burrini hangs onto ropes. He was hurt by a left hook from Mexico's Ruben Olivares, held by referee, in third round of their Mexico City bout. Burrini refused to continue, walking to his corner. Olivares thus was awarded the contest by a disqualification.



NEGRO RING ACHIEVEMENTS UNEQUALLED

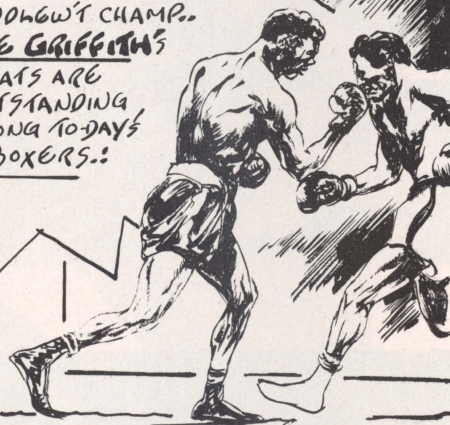


Joe Louis.

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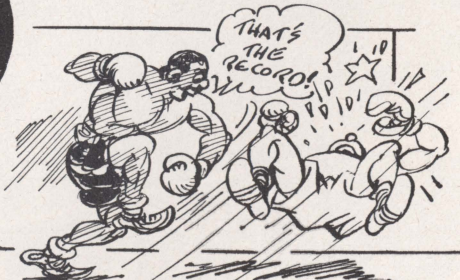
..FEATS ARE OUTSTANDING AMONG TODAY'S BOXERS..



..FLOYD PATTERSON
..A RING QUESTION-MARK WAS THE YOUNGEST HEAVY CHAMP..



..AND THE ONLY MAN TO REGAIN IT!



..ARCHIE MOORE SCORED 140 KAYOES!

By TED CARROLL

IT ALL began long, long ago, with the Duke of Northumberland forcing his Negro bondsman, Bill Richmond, to defend himself against mistreatment by British soldiers who resented the colored man's attentions to a local belle in Yorkshire, England. In those far off times, black men, being largely slaves, were felt to be lacking the fortitude necessary for fist fighting. The Duke had different ideas on the subject and upon pain of flogging he ordered his servant to strike back if again attacked. This Richmond did with such startling results that he not only thoroughly thrashed the soldier but several ruffians who came to his assistance. All this happened in the late 18th century.

Thus, General Percy, Duke of Northumberland, found his faith in the black man's fighting qualities vindicated and properly qualifies as the man who launched the Negro upon his long and prestigious career in the boxing ring. Under the Duke's sponsorship Richmond, who had been brought to England as a boy by the nobleman, easily disposed of the local opposition, eventually meeting England's legendary champion of the bare-knuckle era,

Tom Cribb. Richmond was followed by Tom Molyneux, a Virginia ex-slave whom he adopted as a protege and was considered America's first boxing champion. Molyneux also engaged Cribb in a pair of historic contests.

With equality of opportunity a burning (no pun intended) issue, it is well to remember that during most of our history the ring has been an oasis of opportunity in a desert of deprivation and despair for the colored man. It may not have been a Utopian refuge, but there were Negro champions in the ring decades before they were allowed into other professional sports.

It has taken the country a long time to catch up with the sport of boxing in applying the principles of fair and democratic treatment to which it is presumably dedicated, to everyone.

As proof of how far ahead of the rest of the country pugilism has been in this vital area, here is a list of men of dark skin, both American and foreign, who have gained fame and fortune as boxing champions of the world:

HEAVYWEIGHTS: Jack Johnson . . . Joe Louis . . . Ezzard Charles . . . Jersey Joe Walcott . . . Floyd Patterson . . . Sonny Liston . . . Cassius Clay.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS: Battling Siki (SENEGAL) . . . John Henry Lewis . . . Archie Moore . . . Harold Johnson . . . Jose Torres (PUERTO RICO) Dick Tiger (BIAFRA).

MIDDLEWEIGHTS: Tiger Flowers . . . Gorilla Jones . . . Sugar Ray Robinson . . . Randy Turpin (ENGLAND) . . . Dick Tiger . . . Emile Griffith.

WELTERWEIGHTS: Original Joe Walcott (BARBADOS) . . . Dixie Kid . . . Young Jack Thompson . . . Henry Armstrong . . . Sugar Ray Robinson . . . Kid Gavilan (CUBA) Johnny Bratton . . . Johnny Saxton . . . Virgil Akins . . . Benny Kid Paret (CUBA) . . . Emile Griffith . . . Luis Rodriguez (CUBA) Curtis Cokes.

LIGHTWEIGHTS: Joe Gans . . . Beau Jack . . . Bob Montgomery . . . Ike Williams . . . Wallace Bud Smith . . . Jimmy Carter . . . Henry Armstrong . . . Joe Brown . . . Ismael Laguna (PANAMA).

FEATHERWEIGHTS: George Dixon . . . Pittsburgh Jackie Wilson . . . Kid Chocolate (CUBA) . . . Henry Armstrong . . . Chalky Wright . . . Sandy Saddler . . . Hogan Kid Bassey (NIGERIA) . . . Davey Moore . . . Sugar Ramos (CUBA).

BANTAMWEIGHTS: George Dixon . . . Panama Al Brown . . . Harold Dade . . . George Pace . . . Lionel Rose (AUSTRALIA).

FLYWEIGHTS: NONE.

JR. LIGHTWEIGHTS: Kid Chocolate . . . Harold Gomes.

JR. WELTERWEIGHTS: Eddie Perkins.

In this lengthy and imposing roster, seven men are never omitted from the list of the greatest fighters of all time; Sugar Ray Robinson, Jack Johnson, Joe Louis, Henry Armstrong, the original Joe Walcott, Joe Gans and George Dixon. Each of these has considerable support as the greatest individual but the consensus is inclining more and more towards Ray Robinson as the greatest Negro fighter of all time.

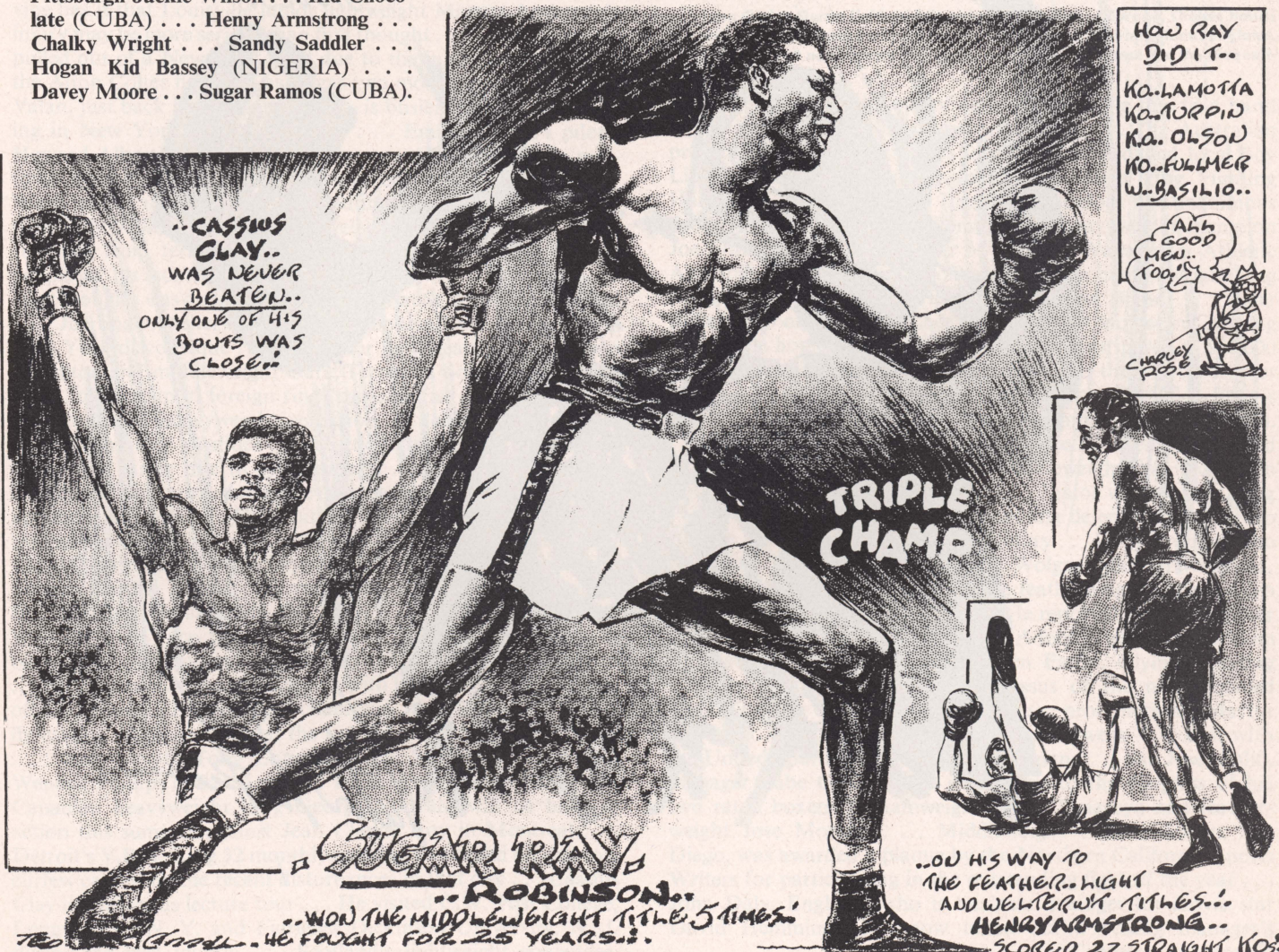
The list is teeming with accomplished boxers but none was more adroit than Sugar Ray. It is a power-packed lineup, but none could punch more mightily than he could. He was astonishingly rugged for one of such slender build. He fought for 25 years in the ring and was never actually knocked out, even when in his fistic dotage. He was rarely on the floor, one such occasion being in his match with

Tommy Beil in Madison Sq. Garden in 1946 when he had to climb off the canvas to prevail over a highly capable opponent. This bout made him welterweight champion and before the close of his career he had won the middleweight championship no less than five times. To perform this trick he had to knock out Jake LaMotta, Gene Fullmer, Randy Turpin, Bobo Olson and outpoint Carmen Basilio, all very good men.

For all the greatness reflected by this list, the outstanding single achievement clearly belongs to Henry Armstrong, whose feat of holding three world championships simultaneously, feather, light and welterweight, stands alone. Armstrong is also the only triple titleholder on the roster. Sugar Ray might well have been had he not been kayoed by the 100-degree heat when he met Joey Maxim for the world light heavyweight championship in 1952.

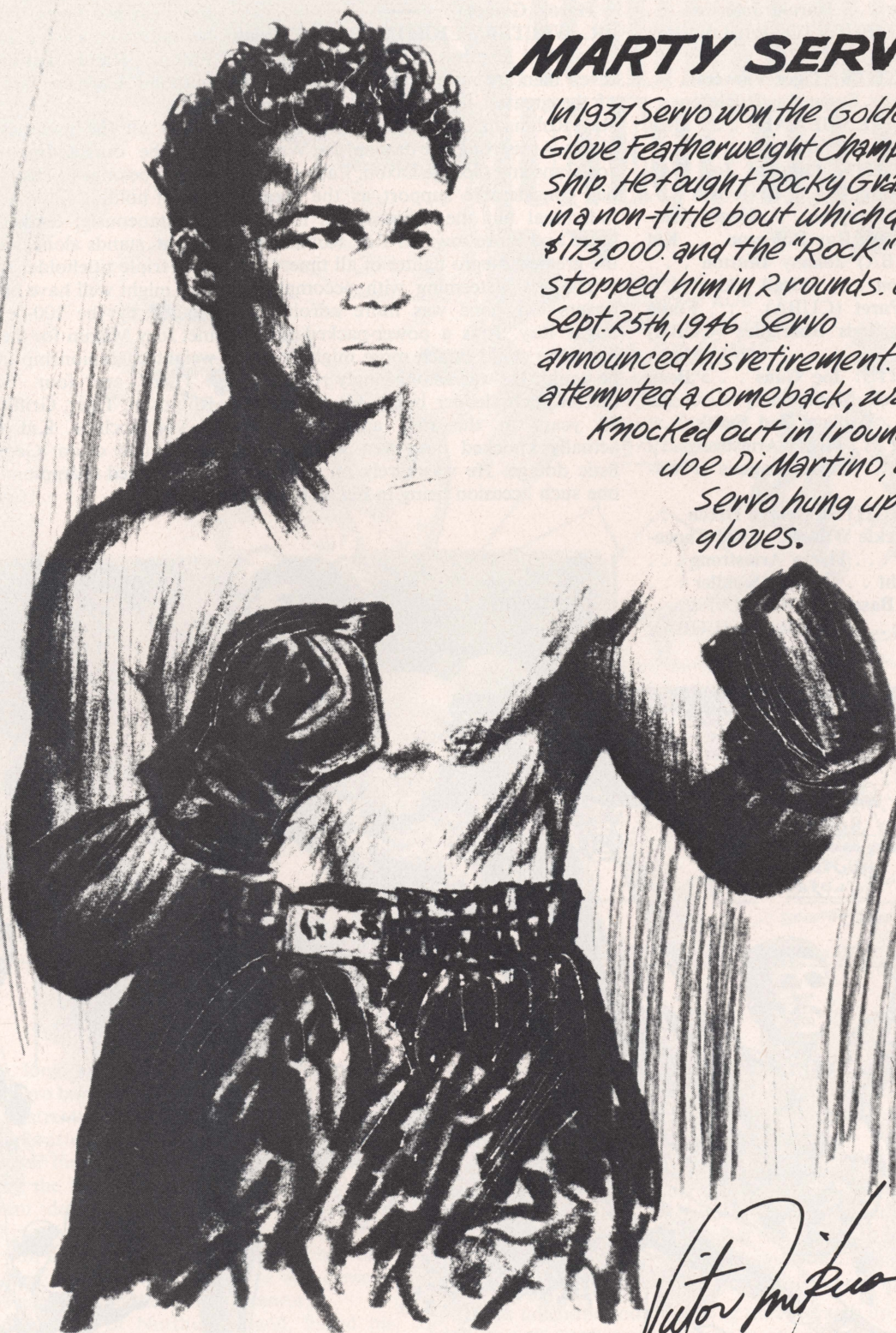
There are four double titleholders, Robinson, Tiger, Griffith, and Dixon; five if you include Kid Chocolate's junior lightweight claim. George Dixon was the first colored champion. He was a native of

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MARTY SERVO

In 1937 Servo won the Golden Glove Featherweight Championship. He fought Rocky Graziano in a non-title bout which drew \$173,000 and the "Rock" stopped him in 2 rounds. On Sept. 25th, 1946 Servo announced his retirement. He attempted a comeback, was knocked out in 1 round by Joe Di Martino, and Servo hung up his gloves.



Victor Miller

The Chatter Box

By JOHN ORT

ODDITY OF THE MONTH—A near-riot erupted as an aftermath to the Wally Swift-Juan Carlos Duran European Middleweight title bout, held in Birmingham, England. Swift, a local boy, was disqualified in the 10th round for butting. French referee Georges Gondre warned Swift five times. Whenever Swift and Duran were in close quarters, the Englishman's head was about chin high to the Italian. Duran appeared to toss his head back in agony every time Swift was in close. However, be that as it may, one cannot fault the decision of the referee in stopping the bout because in round seven, Swift did butt Duran, which caused a gash that bled for the rest of the fight. The reason for the chair-throwing and bottle-tossing was the fact that Swift was leading in the bout when it was stopped. After the bout, Swift's manager, George Biddles, stated: "It was the most diabolical acting I have ever seen. The decision was outrageous and disgusting."

Former ring great Willie Devore died in Akron, Ohio, last month . . . Willie, who once fought Joe Lynch, was 71 . . . Lou Hirshhorn, who promoted in Richmond, Calif., last year, is now applying for a license in San Francisco . . . Kennewick, Washington, was the scene of an outdoor card which saw the temperature drop to 29 degrees at fight time . . . Former junior welterweight king Duilio Loi is a sportswriter in his native Italy . . . The grapevine has it that Louisville junior lightweight Marcus Anderson's injury may be more serious than first thought . . . Marcus recently pulled out of a New York bout due to the injury he received in the Alton Colter fight at Las Vegas two months ago . . . Harold Valan, just back from Miami Beach, is busier than ever, refereeing in New York and New Jersey . . . Emile Griffith's pilots, Howard Albert and Gil Clancy, have opened a new gym in midtown New York . . . Pan-American heavyweight king Forest Ward looked unimpressive in his outing against Vineland, N. J., tiger Billy Williams . . . Former welterweight king Marty Servo suffering from terminal cancer, was recently honored by the people of his hometown, Schenectady, N. Y. . . . Movie star Kirk Douglas was an undefeated wrestler at St. Lawrence College . . . Joe Shaw, welterweight from Brooklyn, is a bouncer in a New York discotheque . . . Watch for light heavyweight Wayne Thornton and middleweight Gabe Terronez, both from Fresno, Calif., to turn up in foreign rings this summer . . . Mac Foster, Fresno, Calif. heavyweight sensation, is looking for greener pastures in other localities . . . Seattle lightweight Bobby Hicks called it a career due to eye injuries . . . Former heavyweight champion Joe Louis is doing fine after having his gall bladder and appendix removed . . . The United States Olympic Committee is asking the Dallas, Texas D.A. to look into the disappearance of \$72,000 earmarked for the Olympic fund . . . The New Madison Square Garden boxing club may stage the final of the world featherweight eliminations this Fall . . . Heavyweight Coley Wallace, who once played Joe Louis in a motion picture, is back into show business. Coley is in two films about to be released . . . Sonny Liston's Australia match with local boy Bob Dunlop is off . . . Former heavyweight champion Jack Sharkey is giving fly-casting demonstrations at the Los Angeles Sportsmen's Show . . . Heavyweight Tony Longoria drew \$13,000 for promoter Wendell Phillips in San Antonio, Texas against Sonny King . . . Canadian heavyweight king George Chuvalo will be back in action this summer against Jean Claude Roy in Montreal . . . Detroit's V.B.A. Ring 32 monthly meeting was called off due to a curfew caused by the recent disturbances in that city . . . Cassius Clay is still on his lecture tour . . . He visited C.W. Post College, Long Island, N. Y. and Fairleigh Dickinson University, N. J. during the past month . . . Scotland's lightweight contender,



Juan Carlos Duran (left) middleweight champion of Europe, shakes hands with Britain's Wally Swift before their recent bout in Birmingham, England. They weren't as chummy during the bout, won by Duran via the disqualification route.

Ken Buchanan will be out of action for a while due to a hand injury suffered in the Maurice Cullen bout . . . The Australian press was left with egg on its face when it predicted local boy Lionel Rose was not ready for bantamweight king Fighting Harada . . . As you know, Lionel won a close but unanimous decision . . . New York and Pennsylvania heavyweight champion Joe Frazier was named winner of the John Wanamaker Athletic Award in Philadelphia . . . Former European bantamweight king Mimun ben Ali was married in Barcelona, Spain . . . Peter Fuller, who once managed heavyweight Tom McNeeley, is doing well in the horse-racing game . . . Peter contributed a \$62,000 purse won by his horse, Dancer's Image, to the Martin Luther King scholarship fund . . . Heavyweight prospect Bill Schellhas is employed as a truck driver for Boeing Company, Renton, Wash. . . . Portland, Me., light heavyweight Pete Riccitelli is pencilled in for an overweight match against middleweight champion Nino Benvenuti in Boston this summer . . . Junior welterweight king Paul Fujii had to postpone his upcoming defense against Pedro Adigue, Philippines, due to a hand injury . . . Ruby Bradley, who once lost to flyweight king Midget Wolgast, died in Westfield, Mass. at the age of 63 . . . Japanese featherweight Shozo Saijyo will be out of action for a while . . . He reportedly stumbled over a lawn sprinkler and busted a toe . . . A feud is beginning to loom in Los Angeles between Mrs. Aileen Eaton, Olympic Boxing Club, and promoter George Parnassus of the newly-formed Forum Boxing Club . . . Walpole, Mass., promoters Joe Martin and Nick Abranham have signed a sixteen-week T.V. deal with the United Sports Network in New England . . . San Jose, Calif., manager Babe Griffin is all smiles due to the progress of his two rated boxers, bantamweight Rollie Penaroya and featherweight Jose Moreno . . . Middleweight Charlie Austin, San Diego, was awarded a plaque by the Northern California Sports Writers for participating in the outstanding fight of the year . . . John Daly, England, who is business manager for movie star David Hemmings, has now taken out a boxing manager's

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PUNCH LINES

A PLEA FOR LISTON

It was hard in the beginning for Liston, for he had a strike against him, being an ex-con. But once he started pulling in the money for everyone concerned, the public recognized him as the champion of the world. But when the day came for the first fight with Clay, money was lost all over the world. Everybody started having doubts, but the second fight with Clay was the clincher. Everybody saw that Liston could not handle Clay, so being an ex-con, they began to dig into the past. This had been done, so another angle had to be used. Thus, his "associations."

There are 104 young men in the boxing program here in the Michigan Reformatory. Six that we know of intend to fight professional on release. These men are sincere and want to prove that they can make something of themselves. So when the day comes, don't judge us by the mistakes of another! People say that just because you're an ex-con, it doesn't mean that you have a strike against you already. I don't believe it. Liston is an example!

Let us see what the public has to say on the subject. We feel that the vote will come our way.

Carlos LeDee-Chuck Meadows
Michigan Reformatory
Ionia, Michigan

BLAMES THE RING FOR MATHIS

So now Joe Frazier has defeated Buster Mathis. Your magazine should be pleased and proud of this achievement as it was people like yourself who rushed Buster into a fight for which he was not ready. You scorned and ridiculed Mathis because he was being brought along too "slowly" according to your knowledge of boxing and to your taste for action.

Other newsmen who know less than you do about boxing and who therefore follow your lead did the same thing with the result that the "brains" behind Mathis agreed to a fight which should have been delayed at least a year. Some athletes mature slower than others: Mathis appears to be in this class and now, because he was ill-advised by the press, and especially by such a prestigious boxing publication as THE RING he probably has lost his chance of reaching the top. If he can, and I hope he does, he now has to go back to taking his time, to learn more and to polish his

technique and add authority to his punches.

I hope that nobody bothers him now that the people interested in creating a champion with Frazier are satisfied. But maybe the chance has gone for Buster. Maybe he will not be able to come back. The funny and sad part of this story is that if he wants to come back he will have to do what he should have done without incurring the scorn and sarcasm of persons who should know better.

J. Belleau
Hull, Quebec

Editor's Note:—Mathis was over-matched. But the time had come for him to stop knocking off mere trial horses and to tackle fighters of a more effective class. The Ring felt that instead of fighting Frazier, Buster should have met Corletti. However, Corletti refused the fight. Madison Square Garden intends to go back to Mathis. But this behemoth does not appear likely to become a real title contender.

QUESTIONS RING ON CLAY

I like everything about your great magazine, but I would like to know how long you intend to support Cassius Clay as heavyweight champion. If his appeal is rebuked he will have to serve his sentence, which is five years. Will you continue your support of Muhammed or will you recognize one of the active heavyweights? An example for a champion would be the winner between the WBA champion and Joe Frazier. If you still support Muhammed Ali as champion I repeat the question, how long? For the next 5, 10, 20 years?

Craig Gant
Eugene, Oregon

Editor's Note:—The Ring will support Cassius Clay while his case still is pending on appeal. If he has to go to jail. The Ring will back Joe Frazier against the elimination tournament winner for the world championship.

ONCE AGAIN, CASSIUS CLAY

Now that Cassius Clay has announced that his days of boxing are over it is time for The Ring to replace his name in the ratings with "Title Vacant" and look forward to a day when Joe Frazier and the winner of the Quarry-Ellis fight meet for the heavyweight championship. How long can Ring go on recognizing an inactive fighter as champion, and ignore those who are active?

I believe that a champion should be dethroned in the ring unless he is retired. If a fighter does not defend his title within a certain time it would be justified to declare him retired.

If the dethroned champion wanted his title back he would have to wait his turn for a shot at it, like anyone else.

About the Mathis-Frazier fight, I don't

see how the New York commission can put together just one fight and call it a tournament.

Jarvis Young
Clovis, N.M.

Editor's Note:—The position of The Ring on Clay and the heavyweight title has been explained time after time. If Cassius has to go to jail something will have to be done. In the meantime his championship cannot be forfeited. He is not permitted to box while his case still is in court. As for his announcement that he is through with boxing, he changes his tune from week to week.

WHY NOT WOMEN BOXERS?

In answer to a letter to this column you say you are strong for women wrestlers but against women boxers. Can you tell me why? Is boxing more dangerous for women than wrestling? A girl's punches may not be hard but neither does every man win by a knockout.

I've boxed with a girl friend who was fast and a good sparring partner. Girls are aggressive enough to become good wrestlers, so why are women boxers not allowed?

J. Atkinson
Hancy, B. C.
Canada

Editor's Note:—You never will see women boxers perform in public. They are not qualified physically. And their physical makeup makes them prone to injuries which might result in breast cancer. There are enough male fighters without the game's being forced to go recruiting among the gals.

FAULTS COMPUTER FIELD

I see by the papers that the computer man is about to have a series of imaginary fights among great middleweights.

I also see by the papers that the list of participants does not include Billy Papke, one of the greatest middleweights of all time, Frank Klaus, a former champion, and Les Darcy.

Why did the computer people bar these three and repeat on Fitzsimmons? Why Jack Dempsey, the bare knuckle Nonpareil, and no Papke? Why Basilio and no Darcy?

Maybe I am taking this machine made tournament too seriously. But if the thing is to be done, let it be done the right way.

Who is responsible for the bum steer the computer guy got when he left out Papke, Klaus and Darcy?

George Kleinhans
Cleveland, Ohio

Editor's Note:—Your complaint is well founded. The "computer guy", Murray Woroner, says his board of advisors, composed of boxing writers all over the country, made up the list.

Brooklyn-born Joey Giardello, former middleweight champion, who started as a pro at 16 and fought for 20 years, announced he was finally quitting the game when he was offered the post of field underwriter for Mutual of New York, with headquarters at 80 Pine St., N.Y. City. Born Carmine Tillelli on July 16, 1930, Giardello's last fight was on Nov. 6, 1967, in Philadelphia, when he defeated Jack Rodgers, of Pittsburgh. Joey, father of four boys, is now living in Cherry Hill, New Jersey. Joe would like to hear from his pals.

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Ran into Hilly Levine, the Coney Island bantam, in Jack Dempsey's. He was around from 1920 to 1931. Hilly, who was 65 on May 10, is a bachelor. At present he is associated with the Tax Bureau of New York State. Among the gladiators he met were Bud Taylor, Carl Tremaine, Frankie Genaro (four times), Eddie Anderson, Pete Sarmiento and Ernie Gooseman. He boxed in the Olympic tryouts in 1920. He recalls boxing three men in one night at Champaign, Ill., on July 4, 1923, scoring three kayos.

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Charley Goldman, a great little fighter and a fine trainer of champions, among them Rocky Marciano, returned to New York City after spending three months down Miami way recuperating. Ran into him with Allie Frank, another boxing veteran, and Meyer Chinsky, famous painter known throughout the fistic industry, in the latter's office at 159 Broadway, N. Y. City. Little Charley said he felt very chipper.

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Willie Weiss, a genial chap, who was a fight manager, promoter and night club operator, passed away recently at 71, felled by a heart attack . . . For years he had a famous Bar & Grill at 5th and Cole Sts., Jersey City. His Harry Martone, hard-hitting Jersey welterweight, was a good draw in the days when Jack Jennings ran the Oakland A.A., in Jersey City.

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Frank Fullam, who for years was one of our better known fight judges, is still active teaching members at the New York A.C. Fullam is also in the exterminating business.

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Reports have it that Willie Gilzenberg, who was active in the boxing business over Newark, N.J., way, and for years has been



JOEY GIARDELLO

associated with wrestling shows staged in Madison Square Garden, and other locales, is getting ready to take another whirl in boxing with the scene of operation the Newark Armory.

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The Jack Dillon-Frank Moran ten rounder staged in old Washington Park, in Brooklyn, N.Y., on June 29, 1916, four months after the "Mary Ann" man met champion Jess Willard in a no-decision affair in the Garden, recalls a tale still making the rounds. Dillon, the little "Giant Killer" from Indianapolis, who was managed by Sam Marburger, was guaranteed \$10,000 for his services and received his money before he went into the ring. Jack Fisher was Dillon's trainer and Mel Cook worked in the corner. Where was the money hidden? In the water pail at ringside.

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Many veterans of Ring 8 in New York, headed by K.O. Phil Kaplan, joined other invited guests at the Laurel Country Club in Sackett Lake, N.Y., to attend the wedding of Joseph Rapp, son of Jimmy Rappaport, former featherweight favorite. The guests enjoyed a wonderful week-end with plenty of entertainment.

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After a lull of many years, another member of the famous Cross family is in the boxing profession. Remember Leach and brothers Marty and Phil Cross and their brother-manager, attorney Sam Wallach? The newcomer is Jimmy Wallach, son of

Marty, who is in the dress business. Jimmy recently entered the profession as a representative of newcomer Dorman Crawford.

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Jack "Doc" Moore, 82-year-old veteran of the boxing game, who has been associated with every phase of the sport, recently heard from his old Harlem lightweight, Frankie Conifrey, whose memorable battle with Benny Leonard at the Star Casino, 107th St. & Park Avenue, was a beaut. Conifrey, a member of Veteran Boxers' Ring #31 down Florida way, is retired and enjoying good health.

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Speaking of Florida, Major W. H. Peeples, who was a big gun in boxing years ago and later was associated with the late Jim Norris, is another who has retired and enjoying life in Miami. His son, W. H. Jr., is a well known lawyer in Miami.

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Harry Thall, associated with the McGraw-Hill Co., and a close friend of boxing entrepreneur Lew Burston, used to be associated with boxing in Chicago and Los Angeles as a promoter. He is a resident of Forest Hills, N. Y.

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Remember the one they used to tell about Benny Valger, the "French Flash", when he boxed K.O. Jackel in Youngstown, O? A ten round bout and a match with Johnny Kilbane, then the feather king, was promised Benny if he won. For three rounds he took a pasting and the riled Ray Arcel, his trainer, berated him. Valger just looked at his trainer and in a nonchalant way said: "Don't worry, Ray, from now on it will be Valger and Arcel, painters and decorators." Valger won the fight and got the Kilbane match staged in the Newark Armory.

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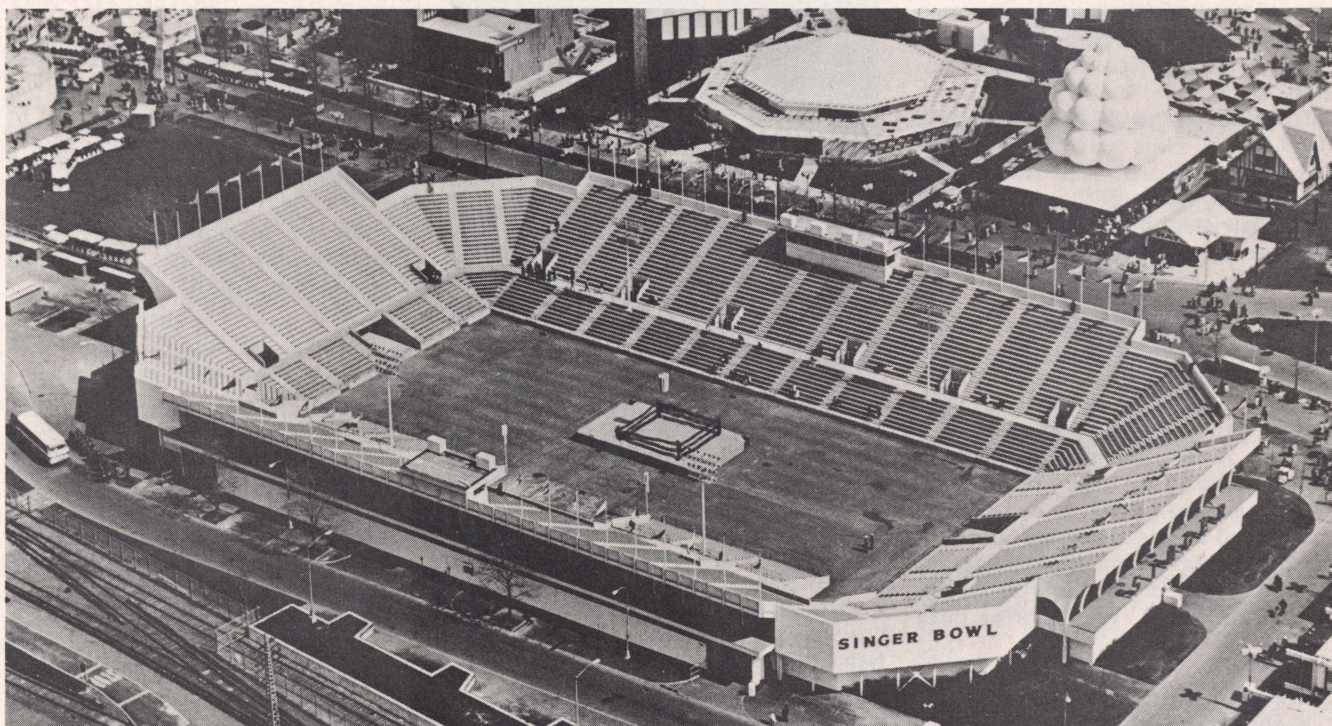
Dave Crowley owns a successful bar in the Hotel Savoy, Rome, and likes to meet New York boxing fans who recall his good Garden bouts 30 years ago. Promoter Harry Levene, who came to NYC with Crowley as his manager, is tops in European boxing promotions.

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Fans were amazed to read a report of a boxing match from Brescia, Italy. James J. Woody lost to Piero Tomasoni and Charley Polite lost to Dante Cane. The unusual note was the date—Palm Sunday—and a capacity crowd attended.

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Nueva Arena Para Pugilistas Latinos Abriran Pronto En Long Island



Esta es la nueva arena de boxeo que se abra este Verano en Long Island, frente al Stadium de los Mets. Tiene capacidad para 18,000 personas y solo vera programas de campeones hispanos.

Por PEDRO GALIANA

EL EXITO de la temporada invernal de boxeo hispano en el ring de la Union Nacional Maritima ha sido de tal naturaleza, que el promotor Oscar Conill ha decidido ampliar sus actividades hacia un parque de mayor capacidad, donde quepan mayor numero de fanaticos. . . . Esto no significa que la Union Maritima cierra sus puertas. . . . Al contrario, en los planes de Conill figura la presentacion de numerosos muchachos de Mexico, Colombia, Venezuela, Puerto Rico y Brasil, que ya han sido convenientemente contratados. . . . Pero, la nueva arena se abre para darle paso a pelear de mas fuerza, que requieran mayor numero de aficionados en las tribunas. . . . La nueva arena esta situada frente por frente al Shea Stadium, el home beisbolero de los New York Mets, y se trata de la Arena Singer Bowl, que tiene capacidad para 15,000 aficionados en las graderias y unos 3,000 en el ring-side. Es decir, 18,000 en total.

La idea de Conill es promover programas al aire libre en este stadium, ofreciendoun promedio de 3 a 4 star bouts mensuales. . . . La actividad comenzara en Junio 19 y se extendera hasta pasado el Labor Day, que es el primer lunes de Septiembre. . . . Los programas se ofreceran los viernes, como es costumbre ya establecida por Conill. . . . La Union Maritima que ha estado co-operando hasta ahora con la Telestar Sport club, seguira ofreciendo su apoyo, proporcionando el ring y todas las sillas del ring-side. . . . El primer programa se proyecta para Junio 19, aunque todavia no hay nada decidido.

En la combinacion de boxeadores que se barajaran para figurar en los programas estelares, del tipo de los que hace anos ofrecia en New York el promotor Mike Jacob con el nombre de "Carnaval de Campeones", aparecen los pugilistas cubanos Luis Manuel Rodriguez, que aparece como aspirante numero uno a la faja de los pesos medianos; Mantequilla Napoles, rival de Carlos Ortiz, que radica en Mexico y Pedro Miranda, poderoso no-queador que radica en San Juan, Puerto Rico. . . . Tambien apareceran: Ismael Laguna y Antonio Amaya, de Panama. . . . Pedro Gomez, el as venezolano y Carlos Hernandez, por Venezuela. . . . Tambien Roman Blanco. . . . Rodriguez Valdes, el terremoto de Colombia, y, por Brasil, Sebastian Nacimiento y Joao Henriquez.

En el grupo de ases puertorriquenos de New York que sera presentados estan: Frankie Narvaez, Vitin Melendez, Pete Toro, Teddy Pagan, Danny Perez, Monon Gonzalez, Angel Oquendo, Ray Ayala, Toro Menendez, Jose Nieves, Ulises Jimenez, Genaro Soto y Bobby Melendez.

Existe la posibilidad de que el programa inaugural lleve entre sus atracciones la pelea del panameno Antonio Amaya, que muchos consideranx con mas clase de Ismael Laguna, con Vitin Melendez, que ha sido uno de los muchachos puertorriquenos que mas han avanzado en el ring en los ultimos meses. . . .

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REFEREES HAVE MOMENTS

At various times, in these columns, we've had occasion to cite problems that often confront referees.

But the officials also have humorous interludes to help balance their serious moments.

If and when Harold Valan ever retires from his refereeing chores, he could fill a library with accounts of odd happenings he has experienced as third man in the ring.

We recited one of those happenings in last month's issue.

Now we have a couple of other incidents involving Valan with Al Braverman entries.

In one bout, large Al was coaching his fighter from the corner. "Use your right," he kept howling.

The opponent heard Al's exhortations—and heeded them. He let HIS right go, and Braverman's hopeful wound up on the canvas, colder than a politician's conscience.

Another time, a Braverman protege lost a decision in a preliminary. Losing was not precisely an unusual experience for him, but after this bout he asked Valan how the scoring went.

"You lost by a half-point," Harold advised him.

"Great!" exclaimed the fighter. "I'm getting closer!"

Valan's experiences as a referee recall a yarn we've related before in these columns, but it's one well worth repeating.

It concerned one of Abe Attell's last outings in the ring. The former world featherweight champion was boxing in Rockaway, out on Long Island. His opponent was Willie Beecher, rugged East Side lightweight.

The fighters were "working" on percentages of the receipts, but it was mid-summer, the heat was stifling, and the paying customers scarce. Neither Attell nor Beecher felt in the mood to over-exert himself for "short money." The rivals decided to "go along" and make an exhibition of it.

The fans, however, wanted a fight, not an exhibition, and by the third round their dissatisfaction was expressed by noisy booing and stomping.

The referee, Charley Draycott, tried to speed things up. Concentrating on Attell, he kept "riding" the former champion. "Come on, Attell," he'd say, "throw some punches," or "Let's have some action, Attell."

Inevitably, Draycott's constant "needling" was bound to produce results, ruffling the usually unruffled Attell.

Half-way through the bout, Abe decided to oblige the referee and give him the "action" he demanded, although, as it turned out, it wasn't exactly the sort of action he wanted.

In a clinch, Abe told Beecher to step back fast on the break. Willie did, as Attell let go a vicious right. It deliberately missed Beecher, as Abe intended, and crashed into Draycott's face.

Down went Charley. As he sat on the canvas, he pulled a handkerchief out of his pocket and wiped it across his features. Blood was oozing out of his nose.

Draycott laboriously clambered to his feet and glared at Abe.

"That's more like it, Attell," he barked. "Now (pointing to Beecher) hit HIM one!"

In our recent dissemination on southpaws, we inadvertently overlooked several light heavyweights who rated highly during the '20s and '30s. One of them was Georgie Nichols, originally out of Sandusky, Ohio, but using Buffalo, N.Y., as his main base of operations. For a spell Nichols held the National (now World) Boxing Association's version of the then disputed world championship. In an elimination series sponsored by the N.B.A., he was a winner in the tourney's finale, whipping another left-hander Dave Maier of Milwaukee, in Chicago in '32.

Another Bison City southpaw of those days, Art Wiegand, was a thunderous puncher, but never quite scaled the championship heights. He did have the satisfaction, however, of outpointing Maxie Rosenbloom in Buffalo in '26, but it was before Slapsie Maxie became titleholder. As champion, Rosenbloom studiously avoided the Buffalo southpaw.

One of the most accomplished lefthanders we can recall was Joe Knight, of Waycross, Georgia. Also a thunderous puncher, Knight, in a career spanning from 1931 through '38, racked up an impressive knockout record, and in his one bid for the title fought a 15-round draw with Rosenbloom in Miami in '34.

One of the most exciting fights we've ever witnessed involved Knight and the late Bingo Joe Banovic in Laurel, Md., in '33. Knight was the winner in 10 furious rounds. He had Banovic down twice during the brawl, but was staggering around himself at the final bell.

RECALLING JOHN LESTER JOHNSON.

From Los Angeles we hear that a recent obituary item was John Lester Johnson, 75, prominent Negro heavyweight of the early years of this century.

Johnson will be remembered by veteran New York fans for his meeting with a young Coloradoan on his first visit to the Big Town in 1916.

The meeting was at the old Harlem (later Commonwealth) Sporting Club, and John Lester's opponent was 22-year-old Jack Dempsey. It was a 10-round no-decision affair, and Johnson was reported to have cracked a couple of Dempsey's ribs, although most of the newspaper accounts credited Manassa Jack with having the better of the argument.

Earlier in his career (1913) John Lester was the victim of one of the strangest knockouts ever recorded in a New York ring. He was paired with Sam Langford at the old Atlantic Gardens on the Bowery. The late Lew Raymond was the promoter.

Awed by Langford's fearful reputation, Johnson had no intention of mixing punches with ol' Tham. An implicit believer in the ancient adage that discretion was the better part of valor, John Lester, the moment the opening gong clanged, started scooting around the ring. Langford began to chase him but Johnson was too young and too fast for him, and the aging veteran decided it was a waste of time and effort trying to catch him. But Tham never was one to let a problem go unsolved. He halted in mid-ring and timed John Lester as he scampered around the ring. His timing was perfect. As Johnson flew by, Langford uncorked his right and fired it. It caught John Lester on the base of the spine and down he went. The punch had paralyzed his legs and he was unable to rise as he was counted out.

Another episode involving Johnson was with Kid Norfolk in Rochester, N.Y. in '22. A previous bout there had wound up unsatisfactorily, a "no contest." The rivals had continued brawling at the railroad station. T. E. rumpus had created so much discussion in town that Promoter Jake Carey promptly rematched them, and billed the bout as a "grudge fight."

Going out for the first round, Johnson extended his gloved fists to Norfolk. "Hello, Willie," he greeted the Kid, whose square name was Willie Ward.

"Man," replied Norfolk, "You don't mean 'hello'; you mean 'good bye.'"

And it was "good bye" for John Lester in about a minute.

AROUND THE RING

Grim news continues to drift out of Ohio, whose ranks of old-timers have been thinning steadily in recent months. The latest obit item was Willie Devore, 72, in Akron. During the '20s Devore was rated one of the Buckeye State's most popular performers. First as a bantamweight, then a featherweight and eventually a lightweight, Willie was a busy campaigner, and hooked up with many of the nation's headliners.

On the subject of Ohioans, veteran manager, trainer, promoter and historian Harold Walsh of Barborton has been touring Europe with his wife, and reports they've been enjoying themselves thoroughly.

NEW YORK'S MONTH THAT WAS:

With no professional cards offered in New Madison Square Garden, fights for pay were confined to Sunnyside Garden, the National Maritime Union Hall, and the revived Audubon Ballroom.

Sunnyside began operations with a couple of unbeaten youngsters topping the card. Dave Melendez, 148, Puerto Rico, added to his streak, with his 12th straight win, while Dorman Crawford, 148½, Brooklyn-based Costa Rican, suffered his first defeat in nine outings. Melendez grabbed the decision after eight rounds of rugged milling.

Another Puerto Rican Melendez, Bobby, 136, also kept a winning skein alive by posting No. 7 in the semi-final at the expense of Benny James, 133, Jamaica, L.I. Melendez was credited with a k.o. at 0:29 of the seventh.

Two preliminary fours were abbreviated by eyebrow gashes. Ramon Gonzales, 148, Puerto Rico, won from another islander, Juan Mendez, 147½, when their setto was halted at the end of the second, and Tito Flores, 131, Puerto Rico, lost to Walter Sealey, 130, West Side, at the close of the third. One preliminary four to go its scheduled route resulted in a draw between Jose Vargas, 136, Puerto Rico, and Horance Menifee 133, a visitor from Texas.

A satisfactory turnout of 1,087 contributed \$4,353.50 to the box-office.

Showing at the National Maritime Union Hall for the second time in three weeks, promising Mario Saurennann, 140½, Philadelphia, was returned a split-decision winner over Ulysses Jimenez, 139, Puerto Rico, in a fast, keenly-contested ten. Substituting on a couple of days' notice for highly-rated Marcus Anderson of Louisville, who reported a damaged hand, Saurennann had a bit too much stuff for Jimenez. His left jabs and hooks and right uppercuts were ideal for countering Jimenez's headlong rushes and slap-dash assaults. The Puerto Rican finished with a four-stitch gash over his right eye.

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LISTON CASE REVIEWED BY N.Y. SOLONS, WHO WOULD NOT LIFT BAN

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"On April 17, 1962, Charles Liston, ring name Sonny Liston, made application for a license as a boxer to this Commission. Liston will be 29 years old on May 8th of this year. He has been a professional boxer since 1963 with a ring history of 34 professional contests. "He has been licensed over the years in the states of Pennsylvania, Texas, Colorado, Missouri, Illinois, Washington and in parts of Florida. On occasion his license has been suspended because of arrests in Missouri and (this past year) for 5 months in the state of Pennsylvania after 2 arrests to which we shall hereinafter refer. "Liston's offense record has been widely publicized and we refer to it only to indicate that his first offense which included robbery and larceny from the person, occurred when he was 17 years of age. Some six years later, he was sentenced to 9 months in the workhouse on a charge of assault to kill, and was released after serving approximately 4 to 5 months.

"These are the only convictions in Liston's record. There are listed a number of arrests but comparatively few in number as indicated by our Department of Correction report. Two of the arrests took place in 1961, the charges being the impersonation of an officer and disorderly conduct, both of which charges were dismissed.

"Liston's background is of importance in this proceeding. He is one of a household of 25 children, his own mother having had 13. He has had very little schooling, if any. As early as the age of 14, he was in the House of Detention in St. Louis, and at the age of 17 began serving his prison term of some four years. In prison he learned to box and his ability in the ring has brought him to the position of the Number One Contender for the World's Heavyweight Title.

"The investigation conducted by the United States Senate's Subcommittee on Antitrust and Monopoly of the Committee of the Judiciary included testimony by Liston, John Vitale of St. Louis; Frank Palermo of Philadelphia, and Frank Mitchell of St. Louis, all of whom were well known to Sonny Liston.

"A contract had been entered into between Joseph Pep Barone, manager, and Sonny Liston, boxer, dated March 11, 1958, for a period of 5 years, but during those hearings which explored the background of Sonny Liston, Barone was not able to testify because of ill health. Frank Palermo, John Vitale and Frank Mitchell, all of whom have extensive arrest records, took the Fifth Amendment when questioned on all subjects including their relationship with Sonny Liston.

"Frank Mitchell was one of Liston's early managers; Vitale was his employer in St. Louis, and Palermo recently sentenced to 15 years after trial in the United District Court in California (from which an appeal is pending) was a friend.

"Sonny Liston was represented at the Kefauver hearings by Jacob Kossman, an eminent attorney in Pennsylvania, who was recommended to Liston by Palermo, and his present attorney in this proceeding; Morton Witkin, Esq. represented Palermo before the Senate Subcommittee. These attorneys are gentlemen of standing and we refer to them without derogation as to their good reputation and standing in their community.

"It was through Pep Barone, Liston's manager, that he met Blinky Palermo in 1958, and in that year the Pep Barone-Liston contract was executed.

"The history of the Barone-Liston contract is of interest. In 1961 it was dissolved for a consideration of \$75,000 to be paid by Sonny Liston within two years to Pep Barone. A portion of these monies was paid to Barone out of the December 1961 Liston-Westphal bout, leaving a balance still due to Barone of some \$57,000.00.

"George Katz subsequently entered into an agreement with Liston as manager under which the division between manager and boxer was 10 per cent-90 per cent, a most unusual distribution. Out of the Westphal fight, Katz received some \$7500.

"In the present proceeding before this Commission, George Katz,

the manager under the contract dated April 24, 1961, between Katz and Liston, does not appear either as manager or in any other capacity although his name is mentioned. Liston states—"In connection with this bout with Floyd Patterson, Mr. Katz has not and will not act in my behalf. I am represented and advised by my counsel, Morton Witkin, 911 Finance Building, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania."

"We address ourselves to the issue before this Commission. Liston, the Number One Contender for the World's Heavyweight Title, has proved himself an outstanding performer in the ring. Outside of the squared circle, he has not been so fortunate. A child of circumstances, without schooling and without direction or leadership, he has been the victim of those with whom he has surrounded himself. As Senator Kefauver said to Liston, "You have undoubtedly been taken in by many improper people who made connections with you whether you knew it or not."

"We do not take the position that Liston's police record alone bars him from a license in this State. We do on occasion in the processing of rehabilitation, license applicants with records. Important figures in the boxing world have achieved distinction, despite an original unsavory background including a police record. Since the Kefauver hearings, Liston has been twice arrested.

"The history of Liston's past associations provide a pattern of suspicion. His association with Vitale, Palermo, Mitchell, and others is a factor which can be detrimental to the best interests of professional boxing and to the public interest as well. We cannot ignore the possibility that these long time associations continue to this day. The wrong people do not disengage easily.

"There would be more than a calculated risk in the issuance of a license on this application.

The Commission unanimously disapproves the application and denies the license to Charles 'Sonny' Liston."

There is an item in the Liston story which cannot be underestimated in his failure to bust through the New York ban.

After Sonny had been barred, the New York Commission asked him to appear before it and answer questions. His lawyer refused to let him show up. That was extremely bad for Charles Liston.

Well, Liston became champion even without New York's blessing. Then came the maneuvering for a return match and the New York Commission once again became active against Sonny. It warned the WBA to back up a pronouncement against the return match, with this official excerpt from its archives:

"The New York State Athletic Commission, at its official session, announced that it strongly opposes a return Liston-Clay bout for the Heavyweight Championship Title and urges that serious sanctions be imposed upon any state agency that approves this match.

"The Commission's ruling was based not only on the character of the manipulations attending the bout at Miami, but for the reason that, as widely circulated in the press at the time, Liston was interested in the promoting corporation which had planned to promote the return bout.

"In addition, any such return bout contract violates the spirit and the word of the resolutions and directives agreed upon by all boxing agencies, including the World Boxing Association.

"We trust that the WBA, which through its President, stated that "He was almost certain the WBA would refuse to approve the Liston-Clay rematch", at this time, will honorably and steadfastly support its resolution, which not only prohibits a return bout contract but provides sanctions and discipline of a most serious nature. The discipline provided by the resolution requires that an automatic suspension be inflicted upon. (We quote).

"(1) any Commission approving any such prohibited championship return bout, and (2) upon any boxer, manager or promoter participating in such bout; further, to make these penalties more effective, all Commissions shall permanently suspend any boxer, manager, promoter or other licensee

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NEGRO RING ACHIEVEMENTS UNEQUALLED

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Nova Scotia, but United States-bred, and from all accounts one of the greatest. Dixon was declared world bantamweight champion in 1890 and featherweight champion one year later.

Boston Irishman Tom O'Rourke is a monumental name in the saga of the Negro in the prize ring. Dixon fought in a climate of far worse racial repression than exists today. In directing Dixon's affairs, O'Rourke took risks that involved threats to his life. But O'Rourke was a man of extreme formidability. Dixon received none the worst of it, and O'Rourke was largely instrumental in pioneer Negro boxers becoming champions.

If Ray Robinson is acclaimed the greatest fighter, Armstrong the greatest achiever, then to Joe Louis must go the honors as the "greatest name." Whether they realize it or not, present day Negro professional athletes, bombarded with six figure bonuses and salaries, owe an unredeemable debt to Louis as the pioneer who paved the way for their passage into the Promised Land. In Louis' time, the only professional colored athletes of any consequence were boxers. Following his return from World War II his popularity with the American public soon broke down the barriers for Negro athletes in other pro sports.

Not only does his reign of 11 years—longer than anyone else's—and his record-setting 26 title defenses give him solid credentials as one of the greatest heavyweight champions, his value as a social force in the betterment of human relations in the country has been inestimable.

While, in strong contrast to other sports in its long time acceptance of all comers—regardless of race, the boxing atmosphere was not entirely free of disadvantages. This list of champions would probably be even longer but for an unwritten restriction which took hold of the sport following Jack Johnson's defeat of Jim Jeffries in 1910, and prevented Negroes from vying for world championships for 16 years.

This barrier finally gave way in 1926 when Tiger Flowers, the "Praying Deacon" whose much publicized piety was accepted by the public as proper penance for Johnson's peccadillos, won the middleweight championship from Harry Greb.

During this long hiatus, the one hardest hit was Harry Wills, whose efforts to force Dempsey into a heavyweight title match proved fruitless despite his reputation for clean living and impeccable propriety. Kid Norfolk, a light heavyweight and Panama Joe Gans, a welterweight, were two others who would have fared far better in a more benign period.

With Johnson as an excuse, the reluctance to relinquish the ban on Negro heavyweights persisted until the rise of Louis. Mike Jacobs, in conjunction with a trio of Hearst newspapermen, finally maneuvered the Brown Bomber into a heavyweight title bout with Jim Braddock in 1937, more than a quarter century after the Johnson-Jeffries joust. Louis, of course, won by a KO in the eighth round.

Old Uncle Mike, whose machinations had played a major part in removing this last barrier, recognized only one color; that was currency-green, but he was very sensitive to any racial imbalance among the champions. Mike's reasons were based on business and not bias. He feared that the public reaction to too many Negro champions would have unwelcome repercussions at the box office. The old man never completely discarded this idea, and it led to a lengthy estrangement between the promoter and the young and ambitious Sugar Ray.

The late multi-millionaire James D. Norris, who succeeded Mike after illness immobilized the master manipulator in 1948, had no such racial qualms. His "Open Door" policy was expedited by his chief lieutenant, Truman Gibson. At one time during the 10-year sway of his International Boxing Club, every champion but Rocky Marciano was of the Negro race.

A deeply-imbedded custom is difficult to displace. For years, if there were any concessions to be made, such as weight, money-etc., it was customary for the colored fighter to make them. This carry-over from unhappier times hung like an effluvia over much of Norris' unbiased regime, until Cus D'Amato came along. Cus wasted no time making it clear that if anybody was going to take the short end of any bargain it wasn't going to be his Floyd Patterson. The Homburg-wearing D'Amato exerted his egocentric stubbornness so forcefully that he had his way. As long as D'Amato handled him, Floyd, the Brooding Brooklynite, had everything his way, every time he stepped into a ring. The last discriminatory vestige had vanished from the boxing scene.

Of all the champions, Floyd Patterson is the most difficult to categorize. He is the great question mark of the roped arena. The horrifying Liston debacles and his gossamer chin notwithstanding, his ring accomplishments are highly impressive. There never was a greater Olympic performer. At 17 years of age, after he won the 1952 Olympic 156 lb. championship in overpowering style, the late Eddie Eagan, who assisted in coaching that five-titled Olympic team, insisted that had the rules allowed it, Floyd Patterson could have won the light heavyweight and the heavyweight championships as well.

At 22 years of age he was the youngest man to ever become world heavyweight champion and is the only man to lose and

then regain it. He earned almost ten million dollars in purses and is admittedly the wealthiest Negro fighter of all.

Cassius Clay, whose career stands suspended at the moment, showed enough to convince even those most critical of his extra-curricular entanglements that he rated with the best of the heavyweight champions. In only one of his 29 matches was he hard pressed. In all the others save possibly the first bout with England's Henry Cooper, he could have named the round.

Sam Langford, who rates in the very top echelon and doesn't lack support among the dwindling old timers as the greatest of them all, heads an array of non-champions whose absence from the titular lineup was due primarily to lack of fortune rather than ability.

Among the old-old oldtimers, according to octogenarian Charley Rose, there were people like Young Peter Jackson, Sam McVey, Joe Jeannette, Jack Blackburn, Bobby Dobbs and George Cole who were well fitted for the title crown but never got the chance.

A man capable of defeating champions but who never became one was the Cleveland 165-pounder of 25 years ago, Lloyd Marshall. Marshall defeated five middleweight champions, Lou Brouillard, Ken Overlin, Babe Risko, Teddy Yarosz and Jake LaMotta; knocked out one light heavyweight titlist, Freddy Mills, beat another, Joey Maxim; and knocked out a heavyweight champion-to-be Ezzard Charles.

And who do you think holds the record for knockouts among all the great names listed? Archaic Archie Moore, rarely classed with the great belters, dropped 140 foes for the full count, tops in that department.

Among contemporary battlers, Emile Griffith, former welter and middleweight champion clearly belongs at the top in point of achievement. In gaining honors in these two classes, three times as a welter and once in the heavier division Griffith was faced by men to whom defeat was a rarity. Of the six losses suffered by Luis Rodriguez in his 10-year career three were at the hands of Griffith; two of Joey Archer's 4 defeats in 10-years of campaigning were administered by Emile; Nino Benvenuti has lost but twice as a professional and one of these was to Griffith.

As a heavy welterweight his feat of winning the middleweight title from so determined a foe as Dick Tiger, ranks high among the all-time notable achievements.

In the trying times in which we live, no other calling has by its creed of "come one-come all" contributed more to better understanding than has boxing. Men of dark skin throughout the world have responded to the opportunal challenge it presents with a record of achievement that does themselves and the sport proud.

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who participates in any bout at any time after the suspension within the suspended jurisdiction and all Commissions shall also permanently refuse to license anyone participating in any bout within the suspended jurisdiction after the suspension."

"The provisions of this resolution became effective July 1, 1963. "Relief from the penalty inflicted under this resolution can be granted only by formal vote of the Council, which at this time appears adamantly against the return match.

"The Latin American Federation, the European Boxing Union, and the British Boxing Board of Control, three of the five members of this Council, have stated unequivocally their opposition to this return match.

"In addition, the Honorable Justiniano N. Montano, Jr., President of the Games and Amusement Board of the Philippines and a Member of the World Council, has expressed himself as opposed to the return bout, and the Honorable Harry W. Falk, the Commissioner of the California State Athletic Commission, closely affiliated with New York in boxing, has likewise expressed his opinion against the Liston-Clay bout.

"Boxing is a gallant sport which suffered for years from devious influences which tainted this sport in many areas of this country. Professional boxing has been the 'whipping boy' in sports but it survived only because it personifies the spirit of manly, courageous, personal competition between individuals.

"The approval of a return Liston-Clay match would constitute a second foul blow to the entire professional boxing industry.

"The New York State Athletic Commission trusts that the WBA and all its constituent members, if they are to be deemed worthy of any public confidence and trust, will stick to their guns and refuse to sanction the return bout, as we do."

Now it is the Summer of 1968. Boxing is prospering. The heavyweights have not missed the misguided Cassius Clay.

Since the Lewiston affair with Clay, Charley has had five fights, his most recent on March 16 at Reno, where he stopped Bill McMurray in 4.

Previously he had knocked out Gerhard Zech in 7 at Stockholm, knocked out Amos Johnson in 3 at Gotenberg; disposed of Dave Bailey in one, also in Sweden; and belted out Elmer Rush in 6 at Stockholm.

Liston insists he was no more than 36 years old on May 8. He has two grown daughters.

Strong influences recently have gone high in an effort to induce New York to lift the Liston ban. But—NO DICE!

In the meantime, is Charles Liston still a fighter or a hasbeen?

● IN OLD NEW ENGLAND ● By Don Hamill

With the return of the Four Seasons Arena in Walpole into weekly action, the month brought plenty of action. Highlights of the month were the comebacks of Ted Whitfield, Mike Pusateri and Dick Gambino. Jimmy McDermott's bubble was burst when he was stopped by veteran ringman, Georgie Johnson. The shows during the month in the order of their appearance were:

►PORTLAND—Exposition Building—Journeyman ringster, Billy Marsh, 166, Las Vegas, Nev., won a very close split decision after ten rounds with Pete Riccitelli, 171, Portland. Riccitelli was dropped in the fifth round and found the bobbing and weaving of the Westerner a little hard to cope with. Riccitelli did make a blazing finish to end the fight but too late to sway two of the officials.

Joe Carabella, 129, Hartford, Conn., turned in his third win in as many battles with Henry Wickham, also 129, West Buxton, by taking a unanimous decision in the six round semi-final. Bob Whitehead, 161, New York, outgunned Tony Lampron, 170, Westbrook, in a sixer. Joe (Boom-Boom) Brewster, 202, Winslow, had to come off the floor in the first round before he stopped Honey Hall, 201, New York, in the fourth and final heat. Unbeaten Paul Hamilton, 143, Brunswick, added Johnny Ranger, 142½, Portland, to his growing list by flattening him in the second round. Henry Arbuckle, 161, Bath, iced amateurish Gary Murphy, 152, Augusta.

►BOSTON ARENA—Renaldo Victoria, 139, Pittsfield, and Jerry Graci, 140½, Arlington, battled to one of the most savagely fought draws ever witnessed in Beantown. Victoria had his New England welterweight championship on the line and came close to losing it. The lighter hitting Graci built up a lead with his fast combinations. Victoria had trouble getting started being beaten time and time again to the punch. It was a bloody battle as Victoria's nose bled from the third round on and Graci suffered cuts over the left eye in the 11th and the right eye in the 12th. Victoria went all out for a knockout in the final session, scoring a knockdown to even out the scoring.

The undercard consisted of a pair of scheduled ten rounders, and an eight round opener. Gabe LaMarca, 134½, Arlington, repeated a previous win over Beau Jaynes, 129, Lowell. LaMarca was the busier and stronger of the two who battled in an almost clinch free fight. LaMarca's win was of the split variety. Billy McCluskey, 133½, East Boston, was impressive in knocking out Kid Petito, 129, New York, in the fifth round with a well placed left hook. In the opener, Jose (King) Roman, 192, New York, edged Charley Polite, 204, Springfield, in a closely fought struggle that was nip-and-tuck all of the way.

►WALPOLE—Charlie Polite, 200, Springfield, fighting his second major contest in three days, was stopped by giant Jack O'Halloran, 239, Boston, in the seventh round. After a big bid in the first round when he shook up O'Halloran, Polite then went onto the defensive. A sweeping

left hook in the seventh round dropped Polite, who was still wobbly and unable to defend himself when he got back to his feet.

Billy Wallace (Nick Previti), 147, North Randolph, won a hotly contested eight round decision over Willie Williams, 145, Brighton. Although the decision seemed to be proper, many of Williams' supporters booed the decision. Irish Paddy Murphy, 139, West New York, N.J., had no trouble disposing of Bob Harris, 141, Webster, who had boxed previously as Bob Hazard. Perry Gardner, 145, Fairfield, Conn., was very impressive in stopping hard-hitting Hoyt Davis, 142, in the third round. Don Raniere, 168, White Plains, was awarded a split decision over Johnny Williams, 165, Brooklyn, in a four spot that had many dissenters booing. Tony Cruz, 125, Jersey City, outboxed Jose Garcia, 125, Worcester, in the four round opener.

►BOSTON—Harvard Club—In a special boxing show staged at the swanky Harvard Club before members only, wearing formal dress, Willie Burton, 179, New York, edged out an eight round split decision over Gerry Pate, 174, Roxbury, in a very good match. Pate was the faster puncher but Burton stayed right on him. There were no knockdowns although Burton was staggered in the final heat.

Danny Heath, 144, Lowell, embarked on a comeback by scoring a surprise one round kayo over Al Romano, 145, North Adams. A left hook to the chin spilled Romano to the canvas. He arose in time but was unable to continue. Marcelino Alicia, 134, Worcester, battled to a draw with Danny Corcoran, 135, Bennington, Vt., in with Danny Corcoran, 135, Bennington, Vt., in an action-packed six spot. In the four round opener, Bobby Diamond, 118, San Francisco and Boston, won by a split decision over Johnny Readano, 114, Providence. Readano had previously boxed under the names of Walker Read and Walter Read. His brother is Paddy Read.

►WALPOLE—Ted Whitfield, 146, Amherst, Mass., embarked on a comeback and, although he won, he had to settle for a split ten round decision over Dave Dittmar, 147, White Plains. Whitfield had built up a margin in the first six rounds. In the seventh he seemed to be coasting to an easy victory when he was shaken up. Dittmar stepped up the pace in the final three rounds but was wobbled himself in the final session. The bout did Whitfield a lot of good as the plucky Dittmar pushed him all the way.

Dick Gambino, 168, Providence, launched his comeback by stopping Don Raniere, 170, White Plains, in the third heat. Gambino brought a large contingency of fans from Providence. Dave Hilton, 147, Edmundston, N.B., had too much experience for Perry Gardner, 145, Fairfield, and although he won a split decision in six rounds he had his hands full with the plucky Nutmegger. Dave Adkins, 150, Roxbury, halted Spider Freeman, 152, also of Roxbury, in the second round of their sixer. In a bout cut to four rounds and staged after the main event, Eddie (Red Top) Owens, 163, won over Lloyd Bozeman, 170, Newark. This was their second battle. Last month it was erroneously reported that Bozeman had been the winner when, in fact, the pair battled to a six round draw.

►PORTLAND—Jimmy McDermott, 170, Holyoke,

unsuccessfully tried to atone for a loss he suffered to Georgie Johnson, 166, Trenton, N.J., early last year. He was only a punch away from achieving his goal as in the second round he had Johnson on rubber legs. The wily Johnson then subjected McDermott to a savage beating. McDermott was knocked down late in the fifth session, twice in the sixth, and sent back to his corner at the end of the sixth with his face a crimson mask. The bout had already ended in the sixth when one of McDermott's handlers jumped into the ring.

Tommy Foss, 167, Pittsfield, Mass., turned in his biggest win to-date when he stopped Paul Kasper, 175, Bangor, in the fifth round. Foss proved to be too sharp for his aggressive foe who was brought down with body blows. Leo DiFiore, 129, Portland, scored four knockdowns in taking a six round decision over Bobby Diamond, 124, Boston. Skip Yeaton, 155, Belfast, bullied his way to a four round decision over Gary O'Neil, 150, Portland. Conrad Daoust, 175, Wilton, Me., survived an early battering to stop Henry Metevier, 170, Portland, who was unable to answer the bell for the four round.

►WALPOLE—Comebacking Mike Pusateri, 155, Dedham, had his hands full in taking a unanimous ten round decision over Isidro Perez, 150, Westfield, in a real ring war. The hard-hitting Pusateri had an edge on the basis of his harder punching and a knockdown he scored in fifth round. Perez was unmarked while the winner looked every bit the loser. Mike's left eye was cut in the fifth round, and on both cheekbones in the ninth and tenth sessions.

Dave Hilton, 145, Edmundston, N.B., halted Willie Williams, 146, Brighton, in 1:40 of the first round. Williams had been shaken by the first exchange and then suffered a severely cut right eye brow which necessitated cessation of the bout. Jimmy Cherico, 163, Brooklyn, won a six round decision over Tony Smith, 158, New York, in an action packed closely fought bout. Jose Nieves, 133, New York, won on a TKO when Ernie Dew, 133, Worcester, was dropped in the third heat and was unable to continue.

►PORTLAND—Pete Riccitelli, 170, Portland, avenged a three-week old loss he suffered at the hands of Billy Marsh, 167, Las Vegas, by gaining a unanimous decision. The satisfaction of the victory was hollow as the decision was extremely unpopular. Marsh was effective with a left jab hitting the rangier Riccitelli almost at will. Riccitelli kept on the move while Marsh stalked. Riccitelli got off a few good flurries and won the final session by a wide margin. He carried that round to Marsh shaking him with a right to the chin and landed a large number of left jabs. Leo DiFiore, 129, Portland, scored a surprise knock-out over Jose Carabella, 130, Hartford, by exploding a left hook to his jaw in the first round.

►WALPOLE—Curtis Bruce, 173, Newark, proved that a straight line is the shortest distance between two points as he tossed straight, sharp punches to continually beat the looping punches of Marion Conner, 180, Roxbury. Conner did not seem to be in the best of shape and appeared to tire. He made an all-out effort in the final round that stung Bruce but he was unable to keep up the onslaught beyond the one-minute mark. The decision to Bruce was unanimous and clear cut.

THE LATIN VIEWPOINT

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Amaya acaba de terminar una interesante tournee por territorio mexicano, despertando el interes de los promotores. . . . 5,000 fanaticos panamenos que radican en New York, consideran que Amaya, primo de Ismael Laguna, podra regresar para el Itmo una corona mundial.

Antonio (el chino) Govin, trainer cubano que se encuentra en estos momentos con distintos boxeadores por Asia, escribe desde Seoul, Korea, y ofrece detalles interesantissimos sobre el boxeo coreano. . . . Dice que los pesos pequenos gustan mucho, especialmente si son atletas de la raza de color. . . . Hasta ahora, el as venezolano Roman Blanco ha celebrado dos peleas en Seul y ha gustado tanto que le quieren retener hasta Julio. . . . Pero, tiene distintos compromisos para Tokio. . . . En Corea hacen falta seconds y trainers. . . .

Observadores del ring estan siguiendo con interes las actividades de Danny Perez, que pudiera llegar a una pelea de importancia en Julio. . . . Existen muchas posibilidades de que el cubano Jose Legra, que aspira al campeonato mundial de los junior-lights, sea presentado en New York en el mes de Agosto. . . . Hasta ahora, la diferencia es de \$\$\$. . . Ben Ali, el espanol de Marrueco que fue campeon gallo de Europa, acaba de casarse en la parroquia de San Fernando de Barcelona. . . .

Julio Ernesto Vila, uno de los mas competentes seguidores del boxeo en la America del Sur, acaba de ser nombrado miembro del Comite de ranqueo de la "Latin American Boxing Association," que se encarga de ofrecer la situacion de los mejores pugilistas de la America Latina. . . . Ernesto posee el record de casi todos los boxeadores sud-americanos. . . .

Precisamente, en sus recomendaciones mensuales, de los mejores valores internacionales que se conocen en el Sur, estan: Peso Mosca: Jose Severino (Brasil). Peso Pluma: Godfrey Stevens (Chile), que es eminentemente tecnico. Es hijo de norteamericanos. Tiene 62 peleas celebradas y solo 4 derrotas. Luis Romo (Argentina), que tiene 41 peleas y solo 3 derrotas. Antes era del peso mosca. Ahora luce mas solido. El campeon es el veterano Jose Smecca, que es veloz y habil.

Peso Liviano Juniors: El mejor es Carlos Canete, que en 75 peleas solo tiene 2 derrotas. Es veloz, potente, y luce que nacio para las actividades del ring. En 64 triunfos tiene 47 nocaos.

Peso Liviano: El mas destacado parece ser Carlos Aro, elegante y habil, que se impone en todo sud-america. Tiene 50 peleas y un solo reves. Puede dar que hablar, pretende una pelea con Vitin Melendez, el as puertorriqueno.

Peso junior-welter: Lo mejor es Nicolino Laoche, el radar humano, que esta en todas

partes. Tiene 98 peleas y solo 2 derrotas.

Peso Welter: Ramon La Cruz, que en 101 combates solo ha recibido 5 derrotas. Es potentissimo. En Argentina considera que es capaz de vencer a Curtis Cokes. Probablemente por nocaos. En Nueva York, dicen, su estilo enloqueceria. Es durisimo para dar y recibir. Nunca ha sido derribado.

Peso Mediano: El mejor es Carlos Monzon, que en 55 peleas tiene solo 3 derrotas. Pega muy fuerte y es capaz de voltear a cualquiera.

Peso Medio-Pesado: Estan Goyo y Avenamar, los hermanos Peralta. El mas chico esta invicto en 38 peleas. Pega mas que Goyo. Podria ser una sensacion en Nueva York. Tiene solo 25 anos y esta adelantando por dias.

La revista The Ring sera la que publicara mensualmente con caracter exclusivo la historia de los mas destacados pugilistas latinos del momento. . . .

En Espana, la Federacion espanola ha dado enorme empuje al boxeo, planeandose programas semanales en Madrid, Barcelona, Santander y Valencia. . . . Un fuerte equipo de aficionados ha sido combinado para enviarlo a los Juegos Olimpicos de Ciudad Mexico en el mes de Octubre. . . . El entrenador es Ignacio Ara y los chicos haran su preparacion en Salamanca.

SEEN AND HEARD

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The onlookers were treated to something of a surprise in a "special" six when Forest Ward, 181½, Brooklyn, the 1967 Pan-American heavyweight champion, encountered unexpectedly stubborn opposition from Billy (Mole Man) Williams, 185, Vineland, N.J. Near exhaustion at the final bell, Ward seemed lucky to get a draw.

Fast-rising Jose Nieves, 135, Puerto Rico, continued along his winning way by posting Victory No. 9 when his opponent, Manuel Rodriguez, 135, a countryman, was ruled out after one frame. In another six, Willie Smith, 144½, Brooklyn, decided a borough rival, Freddie Cobb, 146, and in the opening four Jeff Merritt, 206, Macon, Ga., recovered from a second-round knockdown to outslug Joe Belton, 205, Brooklyn. Another fine turnout was reported at the Hall, the attendance numbering 1,123 and the gross receipts \$3,950.

Unbeaten Victor Melendez, 139, Puerto Rico, added to his winning score by outfighting Benito Juarez, 140½, San Antonio, Texas, in a lively ten at the National Maritime Union Hall. The unanimous decision gave Melendez a total of 14 wins against 4 draws in his fifth year of professional operations. His opponent, a busy campaigner for eight years (63 bouts) in southwestern and far western rings, was showing in New York for the first time.

In an all-Puerto Rican semi-final eight, Jose Colon, 134½, was a split-decision winner over Mike Cruz, 135.

A meeting of 178-pounders produced a k.o. win for Eddie Parretta, Virgin Islands, over Tommy Clark, Brooklyn, at 1:48 of the second.

A knockout also terminated a preliminary number, Juan Rueda, 140, Puerto Rico, demolishing a rival islander, Sandy Rivera, 135, at 1:34 of the fourth.

Business continued briskly at the Hall, 1,188 cash customers accounting for \$4,554.50 at the box-office.

The return of boxing to the Audubon Ballroom on Washington Heights was delayed one week out of respect for the assassinated Dr. Martin Luther King, whose funeral was being held in Atlanta, Ga. For his headline number, Promoter-Matchmaker Al Joyner had booked a return heavyweight melee between Al Singletary of Harlem and Jose (King) Roman of Puerto Rico.

Singletary had created something of a sensation six months before by knocking Roman out in seven rounds at the Ballroom, and with the husky Puerto Rican clamoring for the chance to wipe that smear off his scutcheon, the return meeting was a hot "natural." Joiner had lined up an attractive preliminary card to support the main event, and anticipated a capacity crowd for the occasion.

In taking a 2-1 lead in their series, stocky Angel Oquendo, 176½, Puerto Rico, was a unanimous winner over Levan Roundtree, 175, Harlem, in a ruggedly-fought ten at Sunnyside Garden.

Forcing the action most of the way, Oquendo scored heavily with body punches and left hooks to the head.

There were no knockdowns in the bout, but Oquendo had Roundtree teetering at the final bell.

The decision gave the Puerto Rican powerhouse an overall won-lost score of 16-4, and earned him a match with Johnny Persol on the Dick Tiger-Bob Foster light-heavyweight title card in Madison Square Garden.

In the semi-final six, another Puerto Rican, unbeaten Bobby Melendez, 139, accounted for his 8th triumph by deciding an island rival, Billy Jose Pickett, 141. Another scheduled six was shortened when Scottish visitor, Danny McAloon, 148½, polished off Terry Gardner, 149½, Fairfield, Conn., at 2:27 of the third.

In four, Frank Smokovich, 152, Astoria, out-fought a Long Island rival, Salvatore Ianucci, 151, Westbury, and Carlos Soto, 135, Puerto Rico, won from Bobby Hughes, 135, Bronx.

Three former world champions—heavyweight Jim Braddock, middleweight Rocky Graziano and featherweight Willie Pep were among the onlookers.

An added event was the awarding of the Al Buck Memorial Trophy to Pat Sullivan for his many contributions to boxing.

The show wound up the most successful campaign Sunnyside had experienced in ten years. The turnout of 1,046 and gross receipts of \$3,748 brought the totals for the 10 professional cards to 12,233 cash customers and \$37,558 in box-office statistics. There also were 15 amateur Golden Gloves Promotions, attracting 31,500 witnesses and \$75,000 in receipts.

The successful schedule at Sunnyside offered another testimonial to the able matchmaking of industrious Duke Stefano, who put in a busy campaign arranging the professional cards not only for the cozy little Long Island City club, but for the Plaza Arena, which also has enjoyed fine success in its first season across the Hudson River in Secaucus, N.J. Stefano, as assistant to Teddy Brenner, also is responsible for the preliminary bouts on Madison Square Garden's fight promotions.

Partially squaring accounts for the k.o. tossed into him in the previous clash there, Jose (King) Roman, 190, Puerto Rico, slap-dashed his way to a decisive triumph over Al Singletary, 184, Harlem, in their return ten topping the Audubon Ballroom's delayed inaugural of its new season. In a pair of supporting eights, Lou Hicks, 182, Jamaica, L.I., outfought Eddie Vick, 197, Rochester, N.Y., and Carlos Marks, 155, Trinidad, West Indies, won from Freddie DeVore, 150½, Harlem.

Ramon Gonzales, 149½, Puerto Rico, decided Curtis Phillips, 148½, Newark, N.J., in six.

The turnout fell short of the capacity crowd expected, but Promoter Al Joyner declared himself "well satisfied" with the 785 customers and gross receipts of \$2,174.75.

Showing in a New York ring for the first time in three years, Jose Gonzalez, 161, Puerto Rico, celebrated his return by blasting his way to an 8th-round k.o. of Vicente Paul Rondon, 160, Venezuela, before the best house of the season at the National Maritime Union Hall. The 1,619 paying guests accounted for \$6,479 at the box-office.

Except for the first round, when Rondon scored well with left jabs and hooks, it was Gonzales all the way. The Puerto Rican veteran concentrated his assaults on the body, and the steady thumping to the mid-section paid off. Rondon was wilting rapidly, and bleeding from the mouth, when Referee Harold Valan called a halt at 1:19 of the eighth, with the Venezuelan, defenseless, taking a frightful battering on the ropes.

Two scheduled sixes had second-round endings. Eddie Parotte, 174½, Trinidad, West Indies, halted Billy Dolphin, 175½, Scranton, Pa., at 2:28 of the round, and Jeff Merritt, 207, Macon, Ga., was even faster in disposing of Bobby LeHines, 190½, West Side. The round had gone only 17 seconds. One of the fours also failed to go its prescribed route, Walter Sealey, 125, Queens Village, L.I., polishing off Jan Rosado, 123½, Puerto Rico, in 51 seconds of the final frame. In the other four, Rocky Orengo, 130, Puerto Rico, won from Horace Menifee, 133, Dallas, Tex.

WORLD-WIDE FIGHT RESULTS

For the Month Ending May 20, 1968

HEAVYWEIGHTS

Jimmy Ellis beat Jerry Quarry, 15. Henry Clark beat Leotis Martin, 10. Boone Kirkman stopped Evertt Copeland, 2.

Oscar Bonavena stopped Lee Carr, 3. Eduardo Corletti beat Bob Stallings, 10. Leotis Martin kayoed Karl Mildenberger, 7. Mac Foster kayoed Sonny Moore (Texas), 2.

Piero Tomasoni beat James J. Woody, 10. Wayne Heath, stopped Humberto Ghiotti, 1. Al Lewis kayoed Dave Russell, 7. Ray Patterson beat Roger Tighe, 8. Willie Johnson halted David King, 2. Eddie Talhami kayoed Pedro Sanchez, 6.

Bill Drover beat Bob Croxon, 10. Dave Bailey decisioned Wilhelm Von Homburg, 10. Joe Roman outpointed Charlie Polite, 8. Al Singletary, 8. Moses Harrell halted Tony Ventura, 6. Curtis Bruce beat Mario Connor, 10. Bob Stallings outpointed Vic Brown, 10.

Bill Schellhals decisioned Charley Reno, 10. Sam Wyatt beat Dave Zygiewicz, 10. Jim Beattie decisioned Willie Richardson, 10. Luis Faustino kayoed Dave Centi, 6. Dante Cane beat Charley Polite, 10. Hans Jorgen Jacobsen stopped Francois De Scamps, 1.

Aaron Eastling halted Ed Hurley, 2. Jack O'Halloran kayoed Mike Bruce, 7. Louis Hicks outpointed Eddie Vick, 8. Bob Francis beat Manuel Hernandez, 6. Mike Bruce kayoed Ronnie Williams, 4.

Vernon Clay stopped Al Banks, 3. Jeff Meritt halted Bobby LeHines, 1. Charlie Harris kayoed Tommy Sheehan, 3. Ed Williams kayoed Jimmy Brown, 3.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS

Gregorio Peralta halted Carlos Paez, 3. Jose Torres halted Bob Dunlop, 6. Mark Tessman beat Henry Hank, 10.

Johnny Persol kayoed Curtis Bruce, 1. Giovanni Biancardi halted Sonny Moore (N.Y.C.), 3. Jimmy Ralston kayoed Herman Dixon, 1. Frank Nilbett stopped Jessie Bolen, 7, lost to Eddie Jones, 10. Angel Oquendo beat Levan Roundtree, 10.

Pete Riccitelli outpointed Billy Marsh, 10. Andy Kendall decisioned Terry Lee, 10. Paul Roux kayoed Victor Chapelle, 4. Dramane Quedrago beat Jupp Elze, 8. Young John McCormack outpointed Lloyd Walford, 10.

George Benton halted Danny Garcia, 3. Larry Buck stopped George Thomas, 7. George Johnson kayoed Jimmy McDermott, 7. Frank DePaula halted Matt Edwards, 1.

Dick Gambino halted Don Raniere, Dave Jenkins, 1. John Williams, 5. Ed Owens beat Lloyd Bozeman, 6, lost to Tom Bethea, 6. Ron Wilson drew with James Polk, 6. Chuck Hamilton stopped Bob Simmons, 2.

Lloyd Bozeman beat Matt Edwards, 6. Eddie Parotte stopped Billy Dolphin, 2. Richard Steele halted Chuck Hamilton, 1. Bruce Ross beat Eddie Johnson, 4.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS

Ki Soo Kim outpointed Benkei Fujikura, 10. Ferd Hernandez kayoed Carlos Arrias, 3. Tom Bogs outpointed Charlie Austin, 10. Dub Huntley beat Jo Gonzalez, 10.

Denny Moyer drew with Rafael Gutierrez, 10. beat Gene Bryant, 10. Pedro Miranda halted Bobby Warthem, 8. Choi Sung-Kap kayoed Manfredo Alipala, 7. Mike Seyler halted John Morrison, 8. Harold Richardson beat Bo Hogber, 10.

Wilfredo Hurts kayoed Fred Walker, 2. Dennis Riggs, 5. Johnny Doyan beat Roscoe Bell, 10. Mike Pusateri decisioned Isidro Perez, 10. Ralph McCoy halted Eddie Miller, 3. Art Davis beat Aristeo Chavarin, 10. Jose Gonzales stopped Vicente Rondon, 8.

Duane Horseman beat Tony Lopez, 10. Dick Blair outpointed Jim Ryan, 10. Nate Williams kayoed Mel Fields, 4, beat Frank Bradbury, 8. Bobby Rye halted Stene Gutierrez, 4. Kim Booker beat George Davis, 6. Frank Smokovitch outpointed Hank Georgio, 6.

Carter Williams kayoed Eddie Glover, 1. Bob Hill beat Jackie Richmond, 4. Frank Smokovitch decisioned Salvatore Ianucci, 4. Hosia Stubbs beat Al Schmolze, 4, halted Ted McKane, 4. Tom Jensen beat Caesar Brian, 4. Ted Liggett decisioned Billy King, 4.

WELTERWEIGHTS

Curtis Cokes kayoed Willie Ludick, 5, to retain World Welterweight Title.

Percy Pugh outpointed Joe Shaw, 10. Stan Hayward kayoed Mel Collins, 6. Ramon LaCruz drew with Abel Cachauz, 12. Ralph Charles halted Joey Durelle, 4. Hedgemon Lewis stopped Ruben Rivera, 2.

Conny Rudhof lost to Sandro Lopopolo, 10. Musashi Nakano beat Rocky Alarde, 10. Ted

Whitfield beat Dave Dittmar, 10. Tommy Garrison outpointed Julian Tellez, 10. Marucio Gazcon kayoed Phil Robinson, 2.

McKee Mofokeng kayoed James Shelton, 7. Eddie Dawson beat George Fogas, 8. Dorio Hidalgo decisioned Ernesto Ortega, 8. Carlos Marks beat Freddie DeVore, 8. Dave Hilton beat Terry Gardner, 6. Dave Adkins kayoed Spider Freeman, 2.

Danny Heath halted Al Romano, 1. Billy Lloyd stopped Roland Cooper, 1. Ramon Gonzalez outpointed Curtis Phillips, 6. Jimmy McGowan beat Ray Christian, 6. Manny Lugo decisioned Bobby Brooks, 6.

Dennis Clement beat Fidel Hernandez, 4. Julio Costoso kayoed Ray Klie, 3. Ron Lyke decisioned Edison Crowe, 4.

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS

Paul Fujii kayoed Roberto Cruz, 2, non-title. Rodrigo Valdez halted Cartaganti Kid, 7. Juan Sombrita outpointed Massimo Consolati, 10. Barrera Corpus beat Olli Maki, 10.

Sandro Lopopolo decisioned Conny Rudhof, 10. Marcel Cerdan halted Gunter Valtinck, 4. Adolph Pruitt kayoed Johnny Santos, 2. Johann Orsolics stopped Jean Brucelari, 2. Jo Henrique halted Hector Sanchez, 6.

Carlos Hernandez beat Johnny Brooks, 10. Mario Saurennann outpointed Ulysses Jimenez, 10. Victor Melendez decisioned Bento Jaurez, 10. Albert Breaux halted Mike Godin, 7. German Gastelbondo beat Mario Rositto, 10.

Larry Flaviano decisioned Rocky Alarde, 10. John Lujan outpointed George Torres, 10. Miguel Hernandez halted Ulises Botero, 2. Miguel Hernandez kayoed Dave Marks, 1. Pat Murphy stopped Ralph Evans, 2, beat RLNnie Gibson, 6. Joe Africa lost to Preben Rasmussen, 6.

LIGHTWEIGHTS

Carlos Cruz beat Julio Viera, 10. Ismael Laguna stopped Bud Anderson, 10. Pedro Carrasco kayoed Eduardo Batista, 2. Giampiro Salami, 4.

Borge Krogh drew with Olli Maki, 10. George Foster kayoed Jose Luis Vellejo, 5. Hidemori Tsujimoto stopped Jessie Necessario, 8. Charlie Robinson beat Leo Agbulos, 10. Gabe LaMarca outpointed Beau Jaynes, 10. Billy McCluskey kayoed Kid Pettito, 5.

Macloive Medina beat Nicolas Sanchez, 10. Javier Espinosa halted Jesus Garcia, 3. Fernin Soto outpointed Chuchio Garcia, 10. Coneja Aguirre halted Lupe Arriaga, 4. Jorge Ceja won by a disqualification from Antonio Gomez, 8. Jose Gabino lost to Eren Jimenez, 10.

Tonny Mammarelli kayoed Doug Charles 1. Blackie Zamora halted Al Black, 3. Freddie Hinto beat Arthur Fuego, 10. Levi Madi outpointed Eric Mahio, 8, Pat Hlabangane, 6. Gerry Lott kayoed Billy Roth, 2.

Danny Corcoran drew with Marcelino Alicia, 6. Al Ford halted Denny Barthuly, 2. Carlos Soto beat Bobby Hughes, 4. Al Ford kayoed Tony Mesi, 2.

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS

Hiroshi Kobayashi drew with Rene Barrientos, 15, to retain World Junior Lightweight Title. Yoshiaki Numata beat Hajime Iwata, 10. Jose Legra halted Ernesto Miranda, 4. Renaldo Victoria drew with Jerry Graci, 10. Kang Suh II beat Roman Blance, 12. Jaime Valladraes kayoed Victor Ramos, 7. German Lomas, 1.

Raul Rojas beat Enrique Higgins, 15, to win W.B.A. Featherweight Title. Ruben Navarro outpointed Pete Gonzalez, 10. Johnny Gilmore halted Bobby Harris, 1. Don Johnson beat Kimpo Amarlio, 10. Johnny Fooks drew with Bobby Daldy, 8.

Rocky Orango won from Horace Meniffee, 4. Antonio Morales kayoed Jose Rodriguez, 2. Olin Martin drew with Memo Guerrero, 4. Alberto Jorge kayoed Cloverly Daniel, 4.

FEATHERWEIGHTS

Johnny Famechon beat Antonio Herrera, 10. Howard Winston decisioned Jimmy Anderson, 10. Jose Jimenez kayoed Johnny Jamito, 5.

Jose Moreno halted Richie Flores, 8. Roy De-Fillipas, 2. Katsuo Saito beat Toshimasa Hasegawa, 10. Tony Alvarado outpointed Pete Gonzalez, 10. Billy McGrandle beat Blas Viera, 10.

Jean DeKeers stopped by Ould Makloufi, 3. Domenico Chiloiolo decisioned Fortunato Giacona, 8. Jerry Stokes halted Manny Barrios, 8. Manuel Vallivia was stopped by Cesareo Castillo, 6. Delfino Camacho kayoed Raul Garcia, 2. Jose Zamora halted Lupe Torres, 3. Crispin Rodriguez stopped Rudy Castillo, 4. Enrique Penaranda beat Rafael Altamirano, 10.

Arturo Duque decisioned Nayarit Juarez, 10. Alejandro Trevino outpointed Simon Ruiz, 10.

Beto Moya won from Jose Hernandez, 10. Antonio Hernandez kayoed Singiam Tepytin, 1. Memo Morales halted Cenovio Valenzuela, 3. Rodolfo Ibarra beat Manuel Barajas, 10. Humberto Reyes outpointed Juan Salazar, 10. Gustavo Garcia won by a disqualification from Arturo Salas, 5.

Delfino Camacho beat Nacho Ontiveros, 10. Joel Rangel won by a disqualification from Moi Torres, 10. Albert Maya decisioned Ramon Corona, 10. Jimmy Noel won from Ross Salave, 10. Bobby Rodriguez beat M.C. Cordova, 8.

Al Franklin kayoed Angel Rivera, 1. Danny Figueroa drew with Otho Tyson, 4. Walter Sealey stopped Juan Rosado, 4.

BANTAMWEIGHTS

Bernard Caraballo kayoed Antonio Herrera, 4. Eigo Takagi stopped Masataka Uno, 7. Rolife Penaroya kayoed Wallace Brooks, 5.

Ruben Olivares won on a disqualification over Salvatore Burrini, 3. Takao Sakurai decisioned Yoshimoto Suda, 10. Chuchio Castillo beat Yoshio Nakane, 10. Hajime Taroura decisioned Koichi Yamamoto, 10. Kazuyoshi Kanzawa kayoed Baby Lorna, 9.

Jose Arranz drew with Bob Allotey, 8. Kyuzo Hashimoto beat Katsuyoshi Takayama, 10. Manuel Galvez outpointed Pedro Cordero, 10. Chuy Rocha kayoed Julio Segara, 1. Joel Garcia halted Chuchio Castaneda, 2. Raul Martinez stopped Antonio Pino, 6.

Manolo Jimenez beat Jose Cruz, 10. Kid Tenosique kayoed Tito Rodriguez, 8. Jose Laroche halted Jose Vargas, 2. Chino Morales decisioned Felipe Gonzalez, 10. Memo Tellez beat Pornchai Poppaigam, 10. Dommy Manalang outpointed Cherry Montano, 10.

Willy Cordova decisioned Alberto Reyes, 10. Rey Villa beat Rush Bennt, 10, lost to Ricardo Espinosa, 10. Angel Ortiz beat Isreal Perez, 4. Angel Espada kayoed Linford Contreras, 1. Bobby Diamond outpointed Johnny Readano, 4.

FLYWEIGHTS

Raton Mojica kayoed Dumbo Perez, 5. Octavio Gomez halted Antonio Barbosa, 2. John McCluskey beat Fabian Bellanco, 8. Hiroyuki Ebihara outpointed Yuzo Narumi, 10.

Jose Severino outpointed Nelson Alarcon, 15, to South American Flyweight Title. Toshiaki Matsumoto beat Ric Magramo, 10. Daniel Gutierrez kayoed Guillermon Takajashi, 3. Carlos Garcia halted Pepe Mota, 9. Jose Luna beat Chilango Gomez, 10.

Rocky Garcia outpointed Arturo Vazquez, 12. Chuchio Gonzalez stopped Jose Centina, 6. Zorrita Carmelita beat Diego Moreno, 8. Fernin Gomez kayoed Beniro Hernandez, 4. Ely Axinto beat Bart Limin, 10. Roger Moreno decisioned Ely Ramos, 10.

FEDERAL APPEALS COURT AFFIRMS CLAY SENTENCE

The U.S. Federal Circuit Court of Appeals, by action of a panel of three judges, has turned down the appeal of Cassius Clay, heavyweight champion of the world, from the sentence of five years in jail and a fine of \$10,000 for a felony allegedly committed in refusal to accept Army service by draft. Clay now has only one more venue of legal recourse, the Supreme Court of the United States.

The Ring intends to continue to support Clay as the champion pending action by the nation's highest tribunal.

Washington predicts that if the Supreme Court reviews the case it will not reach it until the Spring of 1969. Clay's case is being fought by Charles Morgan, Jr., of the American Civil Liberties Union in Atlanta.

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THE CHATTER BOX

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license . . . Justiniano Montano, chairman of the Philippines Games and Amusements Board, recently stated: "Flash Elorde should stop fighting. He owes it to the Philippine boxing public to preserve his image as the best Filipino boxer ever born" . . . Primo Carnera's widow, Pina, returned to California after failing in her efforts to delay the use of Primo's name in a fund-raising activity in Sequals, Italy . . . Scottish welterweight Don McMillian, just back from South Africa, has signed with Jack Burns, who will manage Don while he's in England . . . English promoter Jack Solomons has opened a new branch office at 405 Strand, London . . . W.B.A. flyweight champion Horacio Accavallo stated he wants to box universally recognized world champion Chartchai Chionoi, then retire . . . Former welterweight Jack Sullivan is now the maitre d' at Gallagher's 33, New York City . . . Nino Benvenuti will not defend his middleweight title before September . . . Nino wants Luis Rodriguez (Miami), Emile Griffith (New York), Don Fullmer, (West Jordan, Utah) and Ki Soo Kim (Korea) to fight an elimination series, with the winner to meet him . . . Former champions and long-time friends Willie Pep and Rocky Graziano had words, but have now buried the hatchet.

TORRES' RIGHT BURSTS DUNLOP'S TITLE BUBBLE

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lightweight champion Bobby Daldy, 125¼, boxed a draw with Johnny Fooks, 129½, in an eight-rounder.

► Having their third meeting this year, with the same result, Don Johnson, 127½, of USA, outpointed Ghanaian Kimpo Amarfo, 131½, this time at the Brisbane Festival Hall. Unlike their first two meetings, this was a tame affair.

In the eight-round support, Arthur Clark, 135, in a comeback, outpointed Domenico Scalco, 137.

► One week later Brisbane featured a double bill—two tens—with Alan Moore, 147, outpointing Paul Sylvester, 139, and Ken Barry, 134, outpointing Domenico Scalco, 138.

► The following week in another double bill at the Brisbane Festival Hall, Alby Roberts, 136, outpointed 13-pounds lighter Pat Bonner, and John Plant, 170, halted Laurie Duke, 175, in the sixth.

► Dick Blair, 158½, fresh from cane-cutting up north, and short of full training in the gymnasium, just edged smart-boxing Jim Ryan, 154, over ten at the South Sydney Leagues Club, Redfern.

► Two weeks later, at the same venue, John Wright, 148, and Johnny Schmitz, 148, continued their war, this time being promoted to the main ten.

Wright won their first in the opening round and Schmitz outpointed Wright in a hectic six on the Torres-Dunlop bill. Wright withstood the wear and tear better, halting Schmitz in the third round. Schmitz announced his retirement.

READ THE RING

FEATHERS KEEP FLYING IN 126-POUND DIVISION

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Square Garden 2nd. Louis (Kid) Kaplan of Meriden, Conn., was the winner. After eliminating Bobby Garcia, the U. S. Army champion, and Jose Lombardo of Panama in preliminary bouts, Kaplan knocked out Danny Kramer of Philadelphia in the grand finale. The entire tournament consumed less than two months, and ended January 2, 1925.

Two and a half years later Kaplan, outgrowing the featherweights, relinquished the title and moved up into the lightweight ranks. Another hectic era followed, the various title claimants including Benny Bass, Tony Canzoneri, and Andre Routis until Battalino earned recognition in 1929, losing it in '32, and precipitating a decade of further confusion which finally ended with Willie Pep's ascension to the throne.

When Sandy Saddler wrested the laurels from Pep in their historic four-bout series (1948-51) and retired in '57, another elimination series produced a Nigerian, Hogan Bassey, as champion. He reigned from June 24, 1957, until March 18, 1959, when he lost to Davey Moore in Los Angeles.

Since then, the title has moved along to Sugar Ramos of Cuba and Saldivar. Now it is up for another spell of apparent confusion.

It could be said that the division has certainly kept the feathers flying.

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FRAZIER VS. ELLIS

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Quarry, quickly snapping another right to the jaw that should have felled Jimmy. But it didn't. Ellis held tightly while the crowd roared.

Quarry by now was out of wind. He couldn't follow his advantage and the round ended with Jerry losing the only chance he had to end the bout in his favor.

Both Jimmy and Jerry had both gone for the first time beyond the 12th round and by the beginning of the 14th they showed the effect. Ellis realized his shortcomings in the last three rounds and took no chances. He used jabs instead of attempting to mix with Jerry, and never lost his lead.

Judge Art Ortega called the fight even, 6-6-3. Fred Apostoli, the other judge, tabbed it 10 to 5 for Ellis. Referee Elmer Costa had it 7-6-1 for Ellis.

"The Ring" score showed Ellis the winner by 9 to 6.

Ellis, who the day before the fight, at official weigh-in time scaled, 197. Quarry tipped the scales at the highest in his career, 195.

The gate fell short of the record for a heavyweight fight in Northern California set by Rocky Marciano and Don Cockell, \$196,000.

Quarry, a favorite when he entered the ring, offered no excuses. After the fight it was revealed that he had injured a rib. He declared the hurt came in the third round.

The 22-year-old loser said that his fast stepping 28-year-old opponent has a sharp jab and is clever. He stated that with a little more experience, he hoped to get another crack at the title. He is the youngest of those who competed in the tourney.

In another bout that attracted wide attention in California, Henry Clark, the State heavyweight champion, fought his way to an upset split decision over Leotis Martin, who had been eliminated from the tourney by Ellis.

Clark, weighing 215½, was given the nod by Judges Rudy Ortega, 6 to 3 points, and Fred Apostoli, 4 to 3. Referee Tony Bosnich tabbed it even, 4 to 4. Martin couldn't avoid the heavy body punches of Clark. Leotis scaled 195.

The Official Cards:—

Referee Elmer Costa
QED EQD EEQ EQQ QEE

Judge Fred Apostoli
QEE EQE EEE EQE QEQ

Judge Rudy Oriega
QDQ EQE EED EQQ QED

My score follows:—

Quarry—001011000011100-6
Ellis — 110100111100011-9

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NIBLETT STOPS BOLEN IN EIGHTH AT PORTLAND, ORE.

By Ruggles Larson

PORTLAND, OREGON—Frank "Snakebite" Niblett, 173, San Francisco, stopped Jessie Bolen, 175, Los Angeles, in the eighth round. In the other scheduled ten rounder, Mike Seyler, 159, Springfield, Ore., kayoed Johnny Morrison, 161, Los Angeles, in the seventh.

Both bouts were action packed and both winners were behind on points at different phases. Bolen appeared to be a sure winner after five rounds. Then Niblett started connecting. Seyler had some anxious moments as each fighter repeatedly rocked the other.

Al Ford, 135, Edmonton, Canada, kayoed Tony Mesi, 137, Portland, Ore., in the second round. **AT SEATTLE**—Charley Robinson, 137, San Francisco, decisioned Leo Agbulos, 135, Stockton, in the ten round main event.

Agbulos substituted for Seattle's Bobby Hicks. Two days before his scheduled return with Robinson, doctors discovered a cataract and forced Hicks' retirement.

Bad News Johnson, 146, Missoula, t.k.o.'ed Gil Martinez, 144, Tacoma, in the third round.

DIERINGER, WASH.—Saw Gordy Gladson, 189, Carnation, Wash., stop Frank Maxwell, 177, Tacoma, in the second round of the main event highlighting Dieringer's sixth annual school boxing championships.

Pat McMurtry, former ranking heavy, is a salesman for Sears in Tacoma. Paulie Cook, former featherweight, is recuperating in hospital. Mike McMurtry, N.C.A.A. heavy king at Idaho State, is working for Cascadia Diagnostic Center in Tacoma.

KENNEWICK, WASH.—Bill Schellhas, 191, Renton, Wash., rallied in the late rounds to win a split-decision over Charley Reno, 235, Los Angeles, Calif. In a companion ten rounder, Larry Buck, 171, Seattle, t.k.o.'ed George Thomas, 173, Oakland, Calif., in the seventh round.

Gordy "Bad News" Johnson, 140, Missoula, Mont., kayoed Ramon Sanchez, 134, Oakland, in the third round.

CRUZ BEATS VIERA IN 10, FAILS TO SHOW PUNCH

By Juan A. Diaz Marchand

San Juan, Puerto Rico—Carlos (Teo) Cruz, 136½, Dominican Republic, lightweight contender, won a unanimous decision in a ten round fight against Julio Guacharaco Viera, 136½, Venezuela.

Cruz, who showed no punch, opened a wound on Viera's left cheek in the seventh.

Viera tried to counter-attack but Cruz's crouching style was too baffling for the Venezuelan. Carlos Ortiz was at the fight and stated that he hopes to meet Cruz for the championship.

The semi-final came to an end after one minute and 32 seconds of the third round. Supposed to go eight, Angel Espada, 148, Puerto Rico, flattened Dominican Francisco "Embijao" Carrion, 144½.

Another knock-out was entered in the second bout of the night at Country Club Arena. Hiram Morales, 120½, got Angel M. Ortiz, 119, with a right to the jaw in the sixth round. Both are from Puerto Rico.

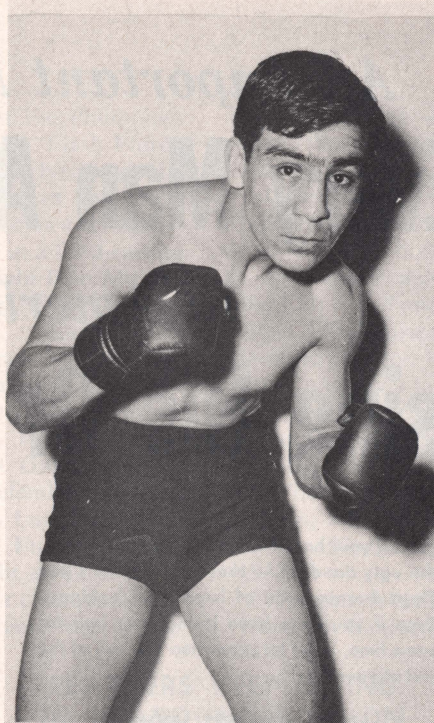
The first fight on the card served to make a new idol of Jose M. Peterson, 123½. Going in his third fight against Alberto Jorge, 128, Peterson won with a right to the solar plexus. This was Peterson's third straight K.O. They are locals.

KENDALL OVER LEE IN OAKLAND STAR SHOW

By Don Fraser

OAKLAND, CAL.—Promoter Henry Winston presented a slam bang card featuring local talent in an all star program. Andy Kendall, Portland, Ore., outscored Terry Lee, Concord, Cal., in the top ten.

Ralph McCoy, 157, Oakland, blitzed Eddie Coffey, 156, Mexico, in the third round and Kim Booker, 147½, nodded Indian George Davis, 150, in six.



Jose Moreno is a promising Mexican featherweight who hits hard and possesses an accurate left jab. He's handled by Babe Griffin of San Jose, Calif.

BAIRD'S EYE CUT BUT HE WHIPS VET BURFORD

By John L. McCafferty

Akron, Ohio—In the Akron Armory the recent bill was headlined by local middleweight Doyle Baird and Veteran Ernie Burford. Baird won.

Baird suffered a cut over his right eye in the first round. While the cut handicapped Baird it also infuriated him and he bullied and battered Burford about the ring thruout the fight. Burford put up a game fight but showed little except knowledge acquired over many years of professional boxing.

Baird's biggest worry was to keep Referee Tony Chudick from halting the fight because of the cut eye.

Eighteen stitches were required to repair the damaged eye after the bout and the win may prove costly to Baird as he will be out of action for six to eight weeks.

Baird was presented with an Ohio State championship trophy.

Tommie Kristian, 140, Youngstown, won a split decision over Julio Mandell, 134½, Toronto, 6.

Terry Reed, 144, Akron, unanimous over Leroy Youngblood, 141, Pittsburg, 4.

Irish Billy Kelly, 185½, Cleveland, unanimous over Lee Young, 197, Pittsburg, 4.

Ted Hamilton, 168, Fairmount, W. Va. out pointed John Pilla, 159½, Waterburg, Conn. 4.

Terry Reed, Akron junior welter weight, boxed in Buffalo and beat Gary St. Germain, Toronto, in 4. Reed then traveled to McKeeport and boxed Leroy Youngblood in a return bout. Reed scored well in the first and second rounds but tired and lost, unanimous decision.

Why did the Pennsylvania Commission approve this bout? Two fights on consecutive nights is hardly a good thing for a young boxer.

This seems to be a common practice in Western New York, Pennsylvania, and Ohio. The boxing commissions apparently do not co-operate or exchange data.

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GASTELBONDO AND VALDEZ BOX DRAW IN COLOMBIA

By Oscar Vergara Ramos

CARTAGENA, COLOMBIA—German Gastelbondo, 138, and Rodrigo Valdez, 140, drew in ten rounds. They are Colombians.

Kid Pambele, 126, defeated Heliodoro Pitalua, 124, by decision in the six rounds.

Hernan Torres Prent, 126, won by K.O. over Alfonso Herrera, 124, in 3.

Enrique Jimenez, 118, won by decision over Hugo Barroso, 118, in 6.

At Barranquilla, Bernardo Caraballo 126, defeated Antonio "Mochila" Herrera, by TKO in 4.

Heliodoro Pitalua, 124, won by decision over Cirriano "Barbulito" Zuluaga, 125, in 10.

Hernando Torres Prent, 125, stopped Rodolfo Marquez in second.

Nestor Jimenez, Colombia, 118, outpointed Venezuelan Fernando Ramirez, in 4.

Cartagena saw German Gastelbondo, 138, beat Mario Rositto, 140, in 10.

Hernando Torres Prent stopped Dixon Sarmiento, in the second round.

Nestor Jimenez, 118, won by KO over Nelson Torres, 118, in 4.

Jorge Uscategui, 124, and Reinaldo Lopez, 123, drew in 6.

Monteria saw Cipriano "Barbulito" Zuluaga, 125, TKO Jorge Uscategui, Venezuela, 126, in 7.

Jose Godoy, 133, won by decision over Samul Gomez, 130, in 6.

Luis Zuluaga, 120, won by decision over Rosa Angelina, 121, in 4.

GRIFFIN HAS PROMISING MEXICAN STABLE

By Mickey Zizzo

SAN JOSE, Calif.—Boxing continues to prosper on the West Coast with the turnstiles at Oakland and Los Angeles spinning a rhythmic refrain.

Aileen Eaton, the wheeling and dealing lady czar of California's fistic scene, and San Jose native Don Chargin, the promoter in Oakland are the Standout promoters.

One of California's overshadowed "little men" is veteran Babe Griffin, tireless trainer-manager, who has his own gym.

Griffin, on the San Jose scene for nearly 30 years, is generating interest with one of the most promising stable of fighters he has had in years.

Featherweight Alex Benitez, once highly ranked and presently preparing to hit the comeback trail, and fighting Filipino Rollee Penaroya, a ranking bantamweight, are the old pros of the Griffin nest.

While Benitez and Penaroya represent the best financial interest, but Griffin has focused his attention on a trio of imported Mexican scrappers: featherweight Jose Moreno, lightweight Miguel Hernandez and welterweight Ruben Rivera.

Moreno, a stone-faced little battler who's all business has been the most active and most proficient. A throwback to the oldtime club fighter, Jose is a slam-bang slugger with an accurate left jab.

Rivera shows promise of becoming a good all-around boxer, as does Hernandez and Griffin spends many hours away from his San Jose tavern working with his importations.

Moreno has shown the most promise and is in big demand around the state.

BOXING IN ECUADOR

By Bruno Stornaiolo

CAYAMBE—Pajarito Moreno, 138, decisioned Leonardo Gallardo, 133, in 6 rounds. Jaime "Chico de Oro" Valladares, 130, kayoed Victor Ramos, 130, in the 7th.

TULCAN—Jaime "Chico de Oro" Valladares, 130, kayoed German Lomas, 131, in 20 seconds of the first round.

QUITO—Oswaldo Davalos, 125½, decisioned Wenceslao Ruiz, 124½, in 4. Fabian Tamayo, 114, decisioned Sergio Criollo, 107, in 6. Ramiro "Clay" Bolanos, 132, decisioned Leonardo Gallardo, 133, in 6. Lauro "Furia" Altamirano, 137, drew with Hugo "Tobi" Munoz, 132½, in 8. "Pajarito Moreno", 139, kayoed Alfredo "Zurdo" Paredes, 135, in the 3rd.

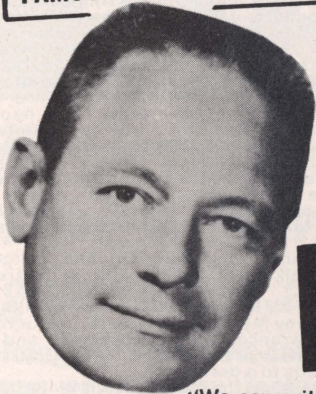
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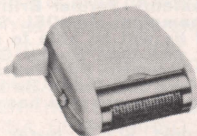
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PELEGRINI STOPS McLEOD

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MONROE, LA.

By Ike Morales

New Orleans, La.—Jerry Pellegrini, New Orleans favorite, returned to the ring with a third round TKO over Doug McLeod, of Michigan. The scheduled tenner was held in the Civic Auditorium at Monroe, La.

It was the first boxing show staged in Monroe in many years, but Bob Witt, who worked with Lou Messina of the New Orleans Boxing Club, said he hoped to continue fight cards on a monthly basis.

Pellegrini floored McLeod twice in the opening round with rights to the head. McLeod managed to stay off the canvas in the second round, but Jerry caught the Michigan state champion with a flurry of combinations in the third and sent McLeod down for another eight count.

Referee Lucien Joubert stopped the match after the third knockdown. The victory hiked Pellegrini's record to 20-5. McLeod is 38-15.

Vernon Clay, 219, New Orleans, knocked out Elbert Taylor, 185, West Monroe, in 58 seconds of the first round.

Robert Williams, 151, Memphis, outpointed Al Franklin, 162, New Orleans, in six rounds.

Cassius Scott, 162, New Orleans, knocked out Willie Earl Jones, 161, Monroe, in the second round.

►Although Percy Pugh ranks high in The Ring's junior welterweight division, the New Orleans boxer is slowly but surely chopping down the challengers for the welter crown.

Pugh's latest victim was Joe Shaw, of New York, who was rated No. 4 when the pair climbed through the Municipal Auditorium ring ropes. The decision in the local boy's favor was a split one, with Judge Maxie Doucen voting for Shaw, 7-2-1. Judge Fred Adams tabbed it for Pugh, 8-2-0, while Referee Lucien Joubert saw it 6-3-1 for Percy. My tab showed Pugh the winner, 6-4.

The win raised Pugh's lifetime mark to 29-12 as well as his 10th victory in a row. For Shaw, it was 30-4-2.

The show, promoted by Lou Messina and the New Orleans Boxing Club, drew 3,288 paying customers who grossed \$11,230. This was exceptionally well, inasmuch as Messina was experimenting with a Saturday night card. It was

also staged on the night when sports were at a standstill because of the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King.

Shaw came in at 146½ pounds to Pugh's 143. The New Yorker landed the only knockdown of the fight when he dropped Percy in the third round with a right to the jaw just before the bell rang.

But, for most of the remainder of the fight it was a story of Shaw trying fruitlessly to catch up with Pugh. The local boy, on the defensive most of the time, made Shaw miss while coming back with counters on his own.

In a torrid semi-final, Alvin Phillips, 158, New Orleans, outpointed Roger Watkins, 161, New Orleans, in 10 rounds. The persistent Phillips raised his lifetime mark to 11-1. He scored the only knockdown of the fight, sending Watkins to the canvas in the seventh with a right uppercut.

Cassius Scott, 163, New Orleans, outpointed A. D. Williams, 160, New Orleans, in four rounds. Scott used superior reach and boxing technique to outscore his opponent.

In a walkout, Gerry Lott, 129½, New Orleans, scored a TKO over Billy Roth, 135, Baton Rouge, in two rounds. It was scheduled for five.

►Robert "Song Bird" Williams, 148, Memphis, outpointed Al Franklin, 148½, New Orleans, at Monroe. The six round win was the Song Birds' eighth in nine outings.

MAMARELLI, SECAUCUS 135 POUNDER, LANDS

2 KOs

By Ronnie "Burns" Bouse

Secaucus, N.J.—Chalk up two fast knockout victories for lightweight Tony Mamarelli. At the Plaza Arena here the Union City boxer stopped Doug Charles in the first round. In a previous show Mamarelli, 135, scored his third straight KO, against Merle Olmstead, 130, Hartford, who could not come out for Round No. 3.

Mike Bruce, 225, Springfield, Mass., hung a fourth round KO on Ronnie Williams, 198, Brooklyn, in four rounds, on the Mamarelli-Charles undercard.

Julio Costoso, 144, Brooklyn, scored a third round TKO over Ray Klie, 146, Jersey City.

Carter Williams, 162, Jersey City, disposed of Eddie Glover, 162, Paterson, N.J., in the first heat.

Danny Figueroa, 124, Newark, and Otho Tyson, 128, Paterson, N.J., went four rounds to a draw.

In his KO over Olmstead, Mamarelli decked the Connecticut entry in the second round. He beat the count but was in no condition to go on after the bell had sounded for Round No. 3.

Ray Klie, 148, Jersey City, scored the fastest win on the card when he ko'd Tommy Claxon, 144, Paterson, in 31 secs. of the first round.

Eddie Dean, 158, Paterson, won a 4 round duke over Dave Horn, Secaucus.

Frankie De Paula, 165, Jersey City, won the scheduled eight round main bout with Willie "Mad Dog" Johnson, 160, Paterson, at Walpole, Mass. Johnson failed to answer the bell for the third round.

►At Secaucus—Luke Ervin, 135, state lightweight champ, Bayonne, punched his way to a eight round decision over 132-pound Angel Rivera, Puerto Rico, in an 8. Referee Ronnie Burns gave five rounds to Ervin and one to Rivera, with two even.

In the eight semi Tony Mamarelli, 137, Secaucus, got Referee Paul Venti's nod over Al Gordon, 139, New York. Mick Kearny, New York heavyweight, lost on disqualification to Ron Williams, New York.

Carter Williams, 162, Jersey City, scored a two round KO over Rog Lake, 160, Paterson.

Lou Rivera, New York welter, stopped Roy Lowe, Garfield, in three. TKO.

►At Secaucus, Marcel Bizien, Jersey City veteran of 11 years in the ring, looked like a kid as he won over Jackie Aldare, 155, New York, in an 8 round main event. Aldare floored Bizien for a nine count in the fifth round, but the referee awarded the round to Bizien because of Aldare's foul tactics.

Irish Pat Murphy, West New York, 140, won his ninth straight pro fight with a fourth round KO over Willie Battle, 136, New York. Pat had his man on the canvas in the second and third rounds before catching Battle with a right in the fourth.

ORSOLICS TKOs BRUCCELLARI IN WARMUP FOR TITLE DEFENSE

By Leo Vollnhofer

Vienna, Austria—Facing his title defense against Bruno Arcari, Johann Orsolics, light welter champion of Europe, had a warmup here before 6,600 fans. Orsolics mauled Frenchman Jean Brucellari. It was a TKO in the third round.

Brucellari held Marcel Cerdan, Junior, to his only draw but lost a championship fight against veteran Aissa Hashas in the 7th round because of a cut.

Orsolics was in devastating form and punched the Frenchman from pillar to post. The guest suffered a nasty gash inside his left eye and both the commission doctor and referee declared the fight as finished after the second round.

Up and coming welter Oswald Lang blitzed Italian Pietro Ceru in the 2nd round. Junior-middle Peter Marklewitz was behind former Italian champion Giampaolo Gabanetti on points but caught the visitor napping in the fifth, let go with a left-right combination and Gabanetti was out for 100 seconds.

In another middleweight contest Mathias Rosenitsch, also behind on points against more experienced Il Evren, Turkey, turned victor in the fifth round, scoring an unexpected KO.

In a welter contest Anton Schnedl, Austria, outpointed Bruno Ruggi, Italy, in a 6-rounder.

V. CLAY — IDELETTE BOUT PROVES "NO CONTEST"

By Tom Ephrem

Jacksonville, Fla.—The Vernon Clay-Jimmy Idelette heavyweight match at Pensacola, left a bad taste in the mouths of 700 fans, headaches for promoter Bill Lynch and matchmaker Tommy Hatcher, and a niche among ring oddities when Nat Fleischer's 1969 record book is compiled.

Clay, 212, New Orleans, and Idelette, 190, Orlando, met in the main event and before the dust settled both boxers, notably Idelette and Referee Frank Humphrey, had made ring history.

Idelette had gone down in the third round, taking a nine count. The same thing happened in the fourth. After Humphrey had counted him out, he applied the "No Contest" ruling. Clay wasn't at fault.

Idelette was given transportation home after a huddle among Lynch, Hatcher, Judge Henry Thorsen and ring physician Dr. Aldrich T. Northrup. Examination denied Idelette's claim of illness.

Al Jackson, 150, New Orleans, outpointed Freddie Walker, 150, Jacksonville, in the six round semi-final.

Leonard Mitchell, 164, Jacksonville, outpointed Tony Myers, 165, Mobile, in four rounds; Willie Lawrence, 222, Pensacola, and Mike O'Brien, heavyweight, Salt Lake City, fought four rounds to a draw.

►Officials ruled the Mose Harrell-Willie Johnson heavyweight scrap a draw at Orlando in the 10 round main event. Johnson subbed for Luis Gutierrez and made a creditable showing.

Dennis Jones, a substitute heavyweight, knocked out Charlie Rumsey, Orlando, in the fifth round. Bob Barfield, Orlando, and Joe Jones, St. Petersburg, fought four rounds to a draw.

►At Orlando, the card co-promoted by Pat Curry and Chris Dundee, Mose Harrell, St. Petersburg heavyweight, scored a TKO over Pedro Sanchez, Puerto Rico, in three rounds. The bout was stopped in 1:55 when Harrell dumped Sanchez with a right hand. The Puerto Rican had the edge until he caught Harrell's punch. He had dropped Mose near the finish of the second round.

Petey Dowd, 128, Jacksonville, outpointed Jerry Powers, 126, Miami, in six rounds.

►Disaster struck Dennis Riggs and for the third consecutive time the Jacksonville middleweight failed to go the distance. Facing Wilfredo Hurst, a Cuban refugee at Miami Beach, Dennis couldn't solve Wilfredo's head and body attacks. Three trips to the canvas in the fifth round and the bout was stopped and Hurst awarded a TKO.

TORO GEORGE GETS TKO OVER BALL IN WELLINGTON

By Dave Cameron

Auckland, New Zealand—Former British Empire lightweight champion MANOEL SANTOS will know shortly if he will be able to make a comeback. Santos, who beat Bunny Grant in Wellington last year to win the title, retired soon after because of an eye complaint. He has had no more trouble with his eyes and has kept in light training.

►New Zealand's most active boxer, TORO GEORGE, of Auckland, scored a TKO victory over Australian TERRY BALL in the ninth round of a lightweight contest in Wellington. Ball took such heavy punishment in the eighth that he could not come out for the ninth round.

►TORO GEORGE travelled to Australia and in Brisbane he drew with the former Australian bantamweight champion NOEL KUNDE in a ten round bout.

In a return contest a fortnight later George and KUNDE again drew in one of the most rugged contests seen in Brisbane in recent years.

►The Fijian and South Pacific welterweight champion INIA CATAROGA threw in the sponge in a ten round bout at Napier against the New Zealand domiciled Australian welterweight champion CARMEN ROTOLO. Rotolo dominated the fight and opened Cataroga's eye in the sixth.

After being hopelessly beaten in the eighth round Cataroga asked the referee to stop it.

►Former Californian BOBBY STININATO, who has now met the 12 month's residential qualifications, has claimed the vacant New Zealand lightweight and heavyweight crowns. BOBBY recently travelled to Hastings where he took a ten rounds points decision over former Australian Heavyweight champion FRED CASEY. Bobby won by a handsome margin in a big outdoor attraction in bright sunshine.

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FEW FANS HAPPY IN TOKYO AS KOBAYASHI, BARRIENTOS DRAW By Joe Y. Koizumi

Tokyo, Japan—Few of the 6,000 fans who saw Hiroshi Kobayashi, world junior lightweight champion, held to a draw by Rene Barrientos, of the Philippines, rated No. 5, left the Budokan Arena in a happy frame of mind. Least happy was Kobayashi, who had a bad night against the Filipino attack of the visiting lefthander.

Referee Ko Toyama and judge Hiroyuki Tezaki tabbed their votes even, 72-72 and 71-71, respectively. Gordon Higley, a U.S. Army civilian worker, gave his vote, 73-71, to Barrientos. The writer had it 72-70 for Kobayashi.

Kobayashi, a slight favorite, who had dethroned Yoshiaki Numata with a 12 round kayo last December, was annoyed by the tricky style of the Filipino and made a slow start.

In round five the champion got a bloody nose from a two-man butt but battered Rene with combinations, winning the round and breaking the booted lack of action.

Barrientos amazed the smallest crowd yet seen in a world title bout in Japan, in the ninth, when he began a wild rally with blows to the champion's face and body.

Rene failed in the first attempt in the morning weigh-in. They fought on in even terms in rounds 11, 12 and 13.

Barrientos, in his best session, the fourteenth, showed his gameness and eagerness to cop the crown and kept the Japanese backpedalling all the way. Rene's attack was furious. His body punches made Kobayashi groggy.

At Sapporo, Paul Fujii, world junior welterweight champion, added another victim to his list, when he stopped Roberto Cruz, of the Philippines, in the second round of a non-title bout. Fujii, Hawaiian born Japanese now living in Tokyo, went all out from the start and ended the contest in 2:37.

The winner, who gained his knowledge of boxing in the Marine Corps, dropped Cruz three times before sending him to the canvas for the full count. The champion weighed 143½ and his opponent one pound less. The bout was a tune-up for Fujii's championship match with Pedro Adigue, of the Philippines.

Using overhand lefts and rights to the head, Fujii bewildered Cruz. He sent his opponent to the mat for the first time with a left to the jaw for an eight count. A right to the chin put Cruz down again for a count of nine, both in the opening round.

In the second round Fujii landed a short right to the body and Cruz was dropped for an eight count. Another right to the jaw sent him down again. The Filipino rolled over on his back and was counted out.

Oriental welterweight leader Musashi Nakano, 147½, whipped Rocky Alarde, 147½, Filipino boss, in 10 rounds at Okayama.

Tetsuo Furuyama, new lightweight Shinjin-o winner, decided former winner Yoichi Urawa in 8 in the semi.

Korakuen Hall saw Ki-Soo Kim, world jr. middleweight champion, have Japanese Benkei Fujiura on the verge of a kayo but fail to finish the tough kid in 10. Korean Kim decked Benkei for the mandatory eight count with a right hook in the sixth. The southpaw winner weighed 161, to 160½ for Benkei.

Former world flyweight champion Hiroyuki Ebihara, 112, was too much for Yuzo Narumi, 111½, at speed and skill and easily won the decision at Korakuen Hall.

Peekaboo styled Kiyoshi Ogawa, 132½, upset Hiroshi Shoji, 133, national junior light kingpin, by a nod at Nagoya. Shoji's title was not at stake. Ogawa mixed it up effectively and scored his 16th win in succession.

In the first tenner Sumio Nobata, 129½, out-punched puncher Toshiharu Mori, 128½.

National bantamweight ruler Eigo Takagi, 117½, successfully kept his crown when the referee called a halt because of a bad cut of Masataka Uno, 117, and awarded a TKO to the champion in the seventh.

Their rematch, with the title at stake, drew 4,500 at Fukushima. An accidental butt in the second made a cut over Uno's eyebrow from which the southpaw bled profusely as the combat progressed. They exchanged short blows toe-to-toe but Takagi gamely caught his foe with straight rights and right uppercuts to the button, winning three rounds by a slight margin.

Hitherto unbeaten and bright prospect Kuniaki Shibata, a featherweight record-holder of 21-0-0 with 15 knockouts, was stopped by Dwight Hawkins, Los Angeles, in the seventh session. Japan was stunned.

One of the outstanding and most popular fighters in Japan, Mitsunori Seki, Oriental featherweight kingpin, announced his retirement after

a disputed TKO loss to Howard Winstone in the WBC's elimination contest in London.

Undeclared southpaw Ki-Soo Kim, Korea's WBA world junior middleweight kingpin, gave a sound boxing lesson to Yoshiaki Akasaka, boss of Japan, and won a unanimous nod in a dull 10 round affair at Korakuen Hall. They weighed 161 each.

Kim's ring rust since the disputed defense against Freddie Little was too apparent for him to show any initiative even against the awkward Japanese. They traded so few punches that they should have been thrown out of the ring.

Filipino Rudy Ventura won the praise of 1,850 fans at Nagoya, for his toughness, though he suffered the incessant body attack of Masataka Uno and absorbed much punishment in 10 rounds. The official nod in Uno's favor was one-sided. Both scaled 118 pounds. In the semi-final eight, flyweight veteran Toshinobu Tsukamoto kayoed Masanobu Sakai in 2.

Up-and-coming Ryu Sorimachi, 151, continued his winning ways by halting Jessie Cortez, 151½, imported from the Philippines, in the fourth at Korakuen Hall.

Sorimachi's straight rights exploded in the third, when the Filipino hit the canvas with a thud. In the next session the towel was tossed to save Jessie.

The semi-windup saw bantamweight Kyochi Yamasaki outscore Shinzaburo Kaneko in 8.

Rising speedster Jaguar Kakizawa, 133½, Hiroshi Kobayashi's sparring partner, beat Jessie Necassario, 133½, of P.I. in 10 heats, but his lack of convincing punching power disappointed most of ringsiders at Korakuen Hall.

Masataka Takayama, 131½, representative in the Tokyo Olympic Games whose amateur record was 136-17-0 (72 knockouts), won his first pro bout by pounding out a one-sided duke from Shoji Nakagawa, 131½, in 6. Takayama, who was regarded as one of the most promising amateur since gold medalist Takao Sakurai, out-boxed, outspeeded and outmaneuvered the veteran and often had his foe close to a kayo.

Dethroned by countryman Hiroshi Kobayashi, former world junior lightweight titlist Yoshiaki Numata still fought like Cassius Clay and received a close but unanimous nod over Hajime Iwata in 10 rounds at Korakuen Hall.

Junior welterweight puncher Sadao Takagi stopped Yoshiharu Hatanaka in the fifth round at Korakuen Hall.

Nobuo Chiba scored heavily with a series of wicked straight rights and flattened southpaw Katsutoshi Aoki II in the seventh to win the vacant Japan featherweight championship, which had been relinquished by Hiroshi Kobayashi, current junior lightweight leader.

Unbelievably and disappointingly was Kuniaki Shibata's unblemished winning streak stopped at 21 (including 15 KO's) by 30 year old Dwight Hawkins from Los Angeles, weighing 125½, to 127½ for Shibata. Dwight stretched the Japanese hope flat on his back in round seven.

Filipino Jessie Necassario never had visited the canvas as he had been proud of his iron jaw. But he suffered three knockdowns by Hidemori Tsujimoto's rally at Korakuen Hall.

The ref declared a halt in round nine. Lefthander Katsuyoshi Takayama, 118, a former highly rated flyweight, repeatedly missed and lost a unanimous verdict to Kyuzo Hashimoto in 10 rounds at Korakuen Hall.

Unbeaten Hashimoto showed his usual and unpopular tactics of backpedalling and countering as he did against Eigo Takagi, national bantam ruler, from whom the Fancy Dan captured an upset victory in December last year.

Oriental featherweight champion Mitsunori Seki, 26, announced his retirement from the ring and relinquished his laurels, which the Japanese had held for five years.

Seki, southpaw puncher whose overall record through a ten year career was 61-11-1, including 35 knockouts, was so unfortunate as to lose five times in the world title contests. At the age of 19, a flyweight, Seki was decided by Pone King-petch in 1961 and outgrew the division to become Orient feather boss by beating Veerani Charernmuang in 1962.

Stopped by Sugar Ramos in 1964, outpointed by Vincente Saldivar in 1966 and halted by Vicente in the rematch in 1967, Mitsunori suffered a disputed TKO defeat by Howard Winstone in London this year.

Seki was popular owing to his clean manner and powerful straight left, tabbing 12 successive defenses of the Orient crown.

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STALLINGS SUSPENDED BY VIRGINIA COMMISSION

By Jack Levinson

Norfolk, Va.—Heavyweight Bob Stallings, of Freeport, Long Island, was suspended indefinitely by the Virginia Commission for failure to honor a contract to fight Speedy Jordan here. Dr. Marvin Goldberg, Stallings manager, also was suspended.

Executive Secretary Don (Bill) Brennan advised the New York Commission that Stallings was pulling out of the engagement reportedly to accept a better offer in Goteberg, Sweden to box Eduardo Corleiti.

► Navy Boxers stationed in Norfolk won five championships in National AAU senior competition in Toledo, Ohio. The winners are David Burkard, Adrian Johnson and Talbert Johnson of Cruiser-Destroyer Force. The latter two won two division championships. Vince Fagan lost a split decision.

COLLEGIAN TESSMAN BOXES RINGS AROUND OLD HANK

By Harlan Haas

Houston, Texas—It will take a great fighter to beat Mark Tessman, as Henry Hank found out in the Coliseum. The dervish from Houston moved around the ancient invader, darting out lefts with speed and using flash combinations to rock his opponent on several occasions. Several times retired Hank was hitting at shadows as Tessman moved hither and yon on nimble feet.

It was a humiliating night for the Detroit Methuselah, who was flabbergasted by Mark's rapier like left, and fancy footwork. Hank was so distraught at not being able to land a clean shot that he finally dropped his hands, and motioned to Tessman to come on in during the latter stages of the bout.

Some would have liked the fight better if Tessman had traded punches with Hank but the University of Houston junior would have none of it. He was in to fight his fight and this he did all the way. The decision in his favor was unanimous. At the end Hank's eyes were puffed, and his nose was battered from the hundreds of lefts that peppered his face all night long. Hank weighed 176, and Tessman 176½.

Vernon Clay, 218, New Orleans, impressed with the workmanlike job he did on Al Banks, 188, Dallas. Clay decked Banks for nine in the second, and put him away in the third with a right hand to the jaw.

Billy Strother, 153, Houston, and Ron Mackey, 158, Dallas, fought furiously for six rounds with Strother the winner.

Al Franklin, 165, New Orleans, won a six from Dave Birch, 172, Houston. Al had a little too much speed. Woody Parks, 215, Beaumont, surprised with a one round knockout over Irish Jimmy Manahan, 196, Houston. Manahan was down twice before being iced for the evening. In the four round curtain raiser, Mike Lamb, 155, Dallas, returned to the ring after several years' absence and battled to a draw with Jimmy Nichols, 158, Houston.

► San Antonio saw Jesus Pimentel continue to rack 'em and stack 'em wherever he appears. Just change the name of the town, and the result is the same—another knockout victory for the little guy from Mexico. This time the Alamo City was the scene and Ray Jutras was the unfortunate who went off to the Land of Nod. Ray stuck around and made it interesting until the fourth. Pimentel weighed 117½, and Jutras 120.

Ismael (Tony the Kid) Longoria, 198, Los Angeles, got his nose bloodied then got sore and flattened William (Sonny King) Jones, 206, in round one.

Pedro Rodriguez, 122, kayoed Robert Shaugnessy, 129, in two rounds. Oscar Alvarado, 145, whipped Gilbert Gutierrez, 152, in eight rounds.

At Corpus Christi, Texas, Porfirio (Blackie) Zamora, 137, local veteran, scored a three round knockout over Al Black, 144. Gil De Los Santos, 155, hammered out a six round victory over Morris Crathin, 150. Baldomar Garcia, 146, decisioned Jesse Lara, 144, in four rounds. Carlos Gonzalez, 145, stopped Edward R. Flores, 144, in the first round.

► Dave (The Animal) Zyglewicz was lower than low after coming back from the West Coast where he lost the first fight of his pro career to Slinging Sam Wyatt over the 10-round distance. "I just couldn't get going," Ziggy told the writer. "For some reason or another I didn't have any zip. Sam won the fight."

It was a staggering blow to Ziggy, but not the end of the world. The Animal has done well for himself. He had only 15 amateur fights, and this was his 25th pro start.

Steve Freeman, the lightweight flash, has been in Vietnam with the Army since January. He writes of wanting to return to the fight game.

DROVER, BREAU WIN IN WABUSH, LABRADOR

By Ross Mc Callum

Wabush—Bill Drover, Wabush, 208 bs., decisioned Bob Croxon, 194 lbs., Montreal, in 10 rounds and Albert Breau, 140, Jr. Welter Champ of Canada, won over Mike Godin, T.K.O. in the 7th round in an action-packed scheduled 10 rounder.

Drover will defend his Eastern Canadian Heavyweight Title in St. Johns, Newfoundland. This is the first professional boxing show in a number of years in St. Johns and, if successful, there will be a number of programs this summer featuring Bill Drover and Earl Pilgrim.

AL JONES WINS ANOTHER IN FLORIDA, BUT IT'S SLOW

By Hank Kaplan

Miami Beach, Fla.—Big Al Jones, 230, Gouls, won an uneventful 10 rounder from Roosevelt Eddie, 223, New York, before 2479 fans. Jones dumped Eddie with a long left hook to the head in the first round, then boxed offensively the rest of the way with only enough to eke out a points win over the New Yorker, brought in by Gil Clancy.

The only mark Jones made in this fight was to score his 22nd consecutive victory.

On the same card, middleweight Teddy Murray, Melbourne, won a unanimous decision over southpaw Ernie Burns, in a six round bout.

Lightweights Jimmy Lee, Miami, and Eddie Linder, Miami, sparked the card with an 8 round draw.

Lightweights Winston Green, Miami, and Jerry Powers, Miami, served up peak entertainment with Green taking a unanimous decision in a six. ► It was apparent from the start that Carl Moore, 157½, Phoenix, came to stay the route with top-ranked Luis Rodriguez, 154½, Miami, in their ten round bout. This he managed to do. Luis tried desperately to open up the clever Moore but Carl legged it all over the ring.

Rodriguez even used conversation but to no avail. Luis scored a unanimous decision in 10.

Herman (Scatterhawk) Dixon kayoed Keith Laufenburger in the sixth round of a scheduled 8 round middleweight brawl.

In another middleweight bout, scheduled for 6 rounds, Jimmy Gibavitch, Miami, stopped George Sawyer, Miami, in 4.

In a lightweight bout Frank Otero kayoed Robert Willis in the first round.

► In another Dundee Show, Eddie Talhami, Canadian heavyweight, outclassed Pedro Sanchez, Puerto Rico. Dr. Alexander Robbins advised the bout be stopped after round five. A nose bleed and cut right eye hastened the stoppage.

Roscoe Bell, Cocoa, lost a unanimous decision to Johnny Doyan, Los Angeles, in a middleweight 10. This was the only bout on the card to go the limit.

Willie Johnson, Boynton Beach, floored David King, Fort Lauderdale, in the second round's closing moments. Dave was unable to continue. Johnson outweighed King in experience and poundage.

Cuban middleweight Wilfredo Hurst scored a TKO over Freddie Walker, Jacksonville, in 53 seconds of the third round with a series of combinations, ending with a right hand to the head.

► MIAMI HIGHLIGHTS—Moe Fliescher has teamed up with the Chris Dundee staff. . . . Roscoe Bell, 152, Cocoa, stopped Ray Malone, 149½, Detroit, in the second round at the American Legion in Orlando. . . . "Lockport" Tony Ventura, with a return win over former conquerer Levi Forte, has an interesting lineup awaiting him in the heavyweight ranks. A showing before his upstate New York fans is a must in the near future. . . . There is talk that Lou Viscusi will revive boxing in Tampa. . . . Moses Harrell, St. Petersburg, 200, kayoed Pedro Sanchez, Puerto Rico, 209, in the 3rd round at Orlando. Tommy Gomez points to the three straight knockouts of his protegee from Plant City, Cody Gainer. . . . In his most recent bout, Gainer survived a first round knockdown by southpaw Harly Woods of Jacksonville, and stopped him in the second. In Buffalo Memorial Auditorium, Jimmy Ralston, Buffalo, evened up with Herman Dixon by stopping his former conquerer in 17 seconds of the first round of a lightheavyweight match. Dixon had stopped Ralston at Melbourne. . . .

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ROJAS ELIMINATES HIGGINS AS WBA FEATHER CONTENDER

By DON FRAZER

LOS ANGELES, CAL.—Raul Rojas, who has California backing as world featherweight chieftain, has the World Boxing Association's recognition following his 15 round victory over Enrique Higgins, of Bogota, at the Olympic.

The match figured to wind up in a knockout. Both have fine KO records—48 between them. However, the closest the bout came to ending was in the twelfth, when Raul dumped the Colombian with a double left hook.

From the start, it was the local idol who paced things. Raul took the offensive as Higgins depended on his strong left jab. The jab worked well. Rojas finished with a badly swollen left eye.

Going into the tenth, Higgins had the edge, but then Rojas slipped into high gear and took command.

The win was no. 33 in 35 bouts for Raul. His only defeat was against Vicente Saldivar in 1965 in a featherweight title battle.

The officials scored the fight like this—referee Dick Young, 11-6; judge John Thomas, 10-5, judge George Latka, 10-6, all for San Pedro's Rojas.

Some 10,000 fans packed the Olympic and paid \$64,381.

In a supporting ten, Len Kesey, 131½, Portland, took a crowd pleaser from Felipe Torres, 129, Los Angeles.

Art Carillo, 156, decisioned Billy King, 154, (6); Olin Martin, 129, stopped Guillermo Gutierrez, 125, (3).

► When he arrived from Houston, Dave (The Animal) Zyglewicz was tossing out challenges to the likes of Jerry Quarry and Jimmy Ellis. When he left, he was talking about a rematch with Sam Wyatt.

A 4-1 shortender, Wyatt, 189, posted a unanimous 10 round decision over Zyglewicz, 187, before 3500 folks at the Olympic Auditorium. It was the first loss for The Animal, following 24 straight.

Wyatt, who lost two out of three last year, just moved along and kept his left jab in the stocky Texan's face.

Mike Hernandez, 145, stormed back from a first round knockdown to chill Ulisses Butero, 139, in the second. This was a scheduled 10-rounder.



Raul Rojas connects with a sledgehammer right, spinning Enrique Higgins' head around and sending perspiration flying in the 12th round. The next blow was a left which floored the Mexican. Rojas won a 15-round decision.

Dick Steele, 175, stopped Chuck Hamilton, 169, (1); Armando Muniz, 145, decisioned Joe Adams, 145, (4).

► Ballyhooed as a welter title prospect, Hedgemon Lewis, Detroit, did nothing to hurt his image as he floored Mexico's Ruben Rivera for the full count at 2:08 of the second round at the Olympic.

It was really no contest as Lewis took charge from the outset. A right-left combination spilled Rivera for the finish, after he had been down in the first round.

Lewis, who is managed by a group of Hollywood stars, and is trained by Eddie Futch, has 19 straight without a loss. He has ko'ed 10 rivals. Hedgemon weighed 147½; Rivera, 148.

In a companion 10-rounder, former national AAU champion Art Davis, 156, scored a unanimous decision over Auresto Chavarin, 163. Davis was in command from wire to wire.

Mike Hernandez, 140, knocked out Dave Marks, 141, (1); Dennis Clement, 147, decisioned Fidel Hernandez, 148½, (6).

► In their first meeting, Jose Pimentel was awarded the decision. But fans thought that Sho Saijyo, Tokyo, deserved the edge. In a second helping there was no question that the mighty mite from Japan won.

Saijyo, 127, won seven out of ten rounds. He deposited Pimentel, 126, on the deck in the second round. While this skirmish didn't match their first go around for thrills, it still was an entertaining, hard fought affair all the way.

Referee Larry Rozadilla favored Sho, 6-3; judge Joe Olmos, 12-2 and judge Rudy Jordan, 8-3.

This was the first loss for the twin brother of bantam contender Jesus Pimentel.

Roberto Alvarez, 118, a stablemate of Pimentel, had better success, chasing Luke
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GARCIA OVER VAZQUEZ IN TITLE FIGHT IN MEXICO

By Eduardo Amer G.

Monterrey, Mexico — In one of the feature attractions of the past month in Mexico, Rocky Garcia, 112, became the new flyweight champion of Nuevo Leon State when he won the decision over Arturo Vazquez, 111, in a 12 round bout. It was an action-packed affair.

In another contest Isias Martinez, 129, stopped Lechero Gonzalez 133, in five.

In Tia Juana, Denny Moyer, one of the top ranking middleweights of the U. S., 151, drew in 10 rounds with Raffles Gutierrez, 152, in 10 rounds and Memo Tellez, 117, won from Porncha Poppragam, Thailand, in 10.

► **PUEBLA**—Manuel Valdivia, 123, was stopped by Cesario Castillo, 124, in six. Alfredo Ramirez and Jose Luis Toriz drew in ten. Beto Morales iced Julio Reyes in one. Gustavo de la Rosa decided Eligio Vidal in four. Manuel Galan TKO'd Delfino Arredondo in 4.

► **AGUASCALIENTES**—Delfino Camacho, 124, kayoed Raul Garcia, 125, in two. Nicolas Sanchez, 133, lost to Maclovio Medina, 135, in ten.

Joselito Hernandez beat Alfredo Gallegos in eight. Jose Luis Herrera stopped Flecha Sanchez in the third. Ricardo Herrera halted Charascas Ramirez in two.

► **NUEVO LAREDO, TAMAULIPAS**—Jose Angel Zamora, 124, stopped Lope Torres, 125, in the third round. Crispin Rodriguez, 124, TKO'd Rudy Castillo, 124, in four.

► **VERACRUZ**—Enrique Penaranda, 126, won from Rafael "Fallo" Altamirano, 129, in ten. Javier Espinosa, 133, TKO'd Jesus Garcia, 131, in three.

Felix Morales defeated Jesus Sanchez in eight. Ramon Cardenas polished off Abel Arguelles in two. Isidro Gonzalez TKO'd Antonio Diaz in 4.

► **SAN NICOLAS DE LOS GARZA, NUEVO LEON**—Arturo Pena Duque, 125, won over Nayarit Juarez, 124, in ten. Jose Angel Ramirez won the decision over Jose Tovar in 8.

► **MONTERREY, NUEVO LEON**—Daniel Gutierrez, 114, technically kayoed Guillermo Takajashi, 117, in 3. Alejandro Trevino, 125, outpunched Simon Ruiz, 123, in 10.

► **ACAPULCO, GUERRERO**—"Fili de los Santos", 139, beat Ezequiel Montoya, 141, in ten. Beto Moya, 123, decisioned Jose Hernandez, 122, also in ten.

► **CULIACAN, SINALOA**—Manuel "Pulgarcito" Ramos, 210, took a hard earned decision over Everett Copeland, 195, in ten. Fermin Soto, 134, got the duke from Chucho Garcia, 134, in 10.

Jerry Stokes, 124, stopped Enrique "Ranchero" Ruiz, 123, in 4.

► **SAN LUIS RIO COLORADO, SONORA**—Antonio "Centavo" Hernandez, 125, put Singiam Tepoytin, 125, to sleep in the opening round. Newcomer Fabian Leyva, 145, outboxed Cipriano Hernandez, 143, in 10. Promising Memo Morales, 124, disposed of Cenobio Valenzuela, 126, in 3.

► **PUEBLA**—Carlos "Zorro" Garcia, 112, TKO'd Pepe Mota, 114, in nine. Lupe Aguilar TKO'd Roberto Garcia in 8.

Miguel Herrera technically stopped Francisco Cortes in one. Javier Samohano stopped Candido Meneses in two. Eligio Vidal halted Lupe Flores in 2.

► **PIEDRAS NEGRAS, COAHUILA**—Jose Eleuterio Luna, 114, won over Salvador "Chilango" Gomez, 113, in ten. Rodolfo Ibarra, 125, decisioned Manuel Barajas, 124, in 10. Beto Estrada stopped Guillermo Rodriguez in four.

► **TAMPICO, TAMAULIPAS**—Aurelio Muniz, 124, gained a decision over Richie Sue, 125, USA, in ten. Santos Sandoval TKO'd Emeterio Campos, 120, in the tenth.

► **NUEVO LAREDO, TAMAULIPAS**—Humberto Reyes, 124, pounded out a decision over Juan Salazar, 123, in ten. Manuel Galvez, 117, beat Pedro Cordero, 116, in ten.

► **MONTERREY, NUEVO LEON**—Chuy Rocha, 118, TKO'd Julio Cesar Segura, 118, in the first round. "Coneja" Aguirre, 134, TKO'd Lupe Arriaga, 129, in four.

► **ACAPULCO, GUERRERO**—Gustavo Garcia, 124, won by a disqualification from Arturo Salas, 125, in five. Joel Garcia, 121, TKO'd Chucho Castaneda, 123, in the fifth.

► **MATEHUALA, SAN LUIS POTOSI**—Delfino Camacho, 124, gained a narrow points decision over Nacho Ontiveros, 123, in ten. Tony Zavala kayoed Joel Rios in two.

► **GUAYMAS, SONORA**—Maximino "Jesse" Armenta, 151, obtained a clean cut decision triumph over Leopoldo "Polo" Corona, 146, in ten. Eduardo Coffey, 150, and Benny Kif Barra, 143, drew in ten.

► **ACAPULCO, GUERRERO**—Raul Martinez, 118, polished off Antonio Pino, 117, in six. Juan Catalino halted Mario Gonzalez in four.

► **VILAHERMOSA, TABASCO**—Jorge Ceja, 134,

won by a disqualification over Antonio "La Rubia" Gomez, 136, in eight. Kid Tenosique, 117, TKO'd Tilo Rodriguez, 118, in 8. Victor Sabido kayoed Baby Mendoza in 4.

► **CIUDAD DEL CARMEN, CAMPECHE**—Chucho Gonzalez, 114, TKO'd Jose Luis "Chamaco" Cetina, 112, in the sixth round. Manolo Jimenez, 118, beat Jose Cruz, 119, in 10. Zorrita Carmelita, 114, decisioned Diego Moreno, 115, in eight.

► **JUAREZ, CHIHUAHUA**—Chucho Castillo, 118, bantamweight king of Mexico, scored a points win at the expense of Yoshio Nakane, 117, of Japan in 10 rounds. Jerry Stokes, 124, of USA, TKO'd Manuel Barrios, 125, in eight. Promising Jose Luis Lopez, 116, won as he pleased from Armando Villa, 117, in ten.

► **NUEVO LAREDO, TAMAULIPAS**—Joel Rangel, 126, outpointed Moe Torres, 129, in 10. Mayo Rangel, 124, won over Victor Garcia, 124, in ten.

► **MONTERREY, NUEVO LEON**—Mauricio Gazcon, 145, won by a disqualification from Manuel "Sonrisas" Avitia, 147, in three. Vicente "Zurdo" Pinon, 139, TKO'd Ardiella Garcia, 134, in four.

Jose "Pollo" Gabino, 139, was beaten by Efen Jimenez, 134, in 10. Armando Avitia, 145, TKO'd Efen Maldonado, 144, in two.

► **ACAPULCO, GUERRERO**—Alberto Maya, 124, beat Ramon Corona, 125, in 10. Jose Larocha, 116, of Yucatan, iced Jose Vargas, 118, in 2.

► **POZA RICA, VERACRUZ**—Fermin "Gallego" Gomez, 113, stopped Benito Hernandez, 114, in four. Nicolas Sanchez, 135, TKO'd Luis Lopez, 135, in five.

► **LA PAZ, BAJA CALIFORNIA**—Raul Rodriguez, 150, polished off Polo Corona, 145, in three.

► **GUAYMAS, SONORA**—Chino Morales, 117, decisioned Felipe Gonzalez, 118, in ten.

TKO'D IN 10 BY LAGUNA, ● BUD ANDERSON QUILTS ● RING By Archie Pirolli

Philadelphia, Pa.—Ismael Laguna, ex-lightweight champion from Panama, ranked No. 2 contender for the title by Ring Magazine, was far too much for Bud Anderson, Philadelphia. It was a TKO in 10.

Laguna outclassed Anderson by his swift-foot and fast punching. The only chance Anderson, 138, had to win was by a lucky punch. Anderson, who fought his heart out, was a loser by a technical knockout at the end of the ninth round at the Arena. The fight went into the books as a TKO in the tenth round, when Anderson's corner refused to release him for that final round, in a show promoted by Jimmy Riggio.

The Panamanian, 131, never had Anderson in distress. Bud's hooks or overhand rights looked more damaging than anything he took from Laguna. Anderson, also outfought the ex-champion at close range during the early rounds. Laguna speeded up his footwork to avoid those exchanges.

Bud showed a cut in the second round. Dr. A. Ayella looked at it and let the contest go on. The doctor had fresh looks in the seventh and eight rounds. Bud was badly trounced by then. His pride kept him going.

Pop Bates, Bud's manager said, "I'm retiring him. No more fights for this boy."

George Benton, 161, Phila., gained a TKO over Danny Garcia, 162, Puerto Rico, in the second round. Billy Lloyd, southpaw 149-pounder, belted out Roland Cooper, 148, New York, in the first round.

Philadelphia's Johnny Gilmore, 131, scored a first round TKO over Bobby Harris, 136, Philadelphia. Ed (Beau Jack) Williams, Camden, N.J., knocked out Jimmy Brown, Phila., in the third round.

Fighting under new management, Stanley (Kitten) Hayward, started a new campaign to get a shot at the welterweight title by scoring a sixth-round technical knockout victory over Mel Collins, Trenton veteran, in the feature bout of a triple windup program promoted by Lou Lucchese. A crowd of 2928 paid \$9.683.

Collins, 154, was an easy mark for Hayward, 155. He fought stubbornly and took many hard punches until a left in the sixth round staggered him.

In the other 10-rounders, New York's Johnny Persol needed only 38 seconds of the first round to dispose of Curtis Bruce, and Milo Calhoun gained a decision over Jimmy Dupree, Jersey City.

Roy Williams, 219, Philly's best heavy prospect, is undefeated in 5 pro fights, scored a TKO over George Murphy, 225, New York, in the first round. Angie Pantelas, 135, Broomall, Pa., won over Willie Battles, 131, Brooklyn, N.Y. in four rounds.

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Sharpe Says Winstone Will Retire After Legra Fight

By JOHNNY SHARPE

LONDON, ENGLAND — Howard Winstone, acclaimed by some commissions as featherweight champion of the world, had one of the hardest fights in his 65 battles as a professional at Wembley, where Jimmy Anderson, British junior lightweight champion, made Winstone fight every inch of the scheduled 10 to win on points.

There was no doubt that Winstone was the winner, as most judges saw it 7 to 3 in favor of the Welshman. Referee Harry Gibbs scored it 49 to 48½.

In the first round Anderson caught Winstone with a right to the jaw which sent the Welshman to the canvas. Stunned for the moment Howard got up on one knee, looking to his manager Eddie Thomas, who signalled him to rise at eight.

From then on Winstone brought out his box of tricks to outbox his man till the gong ended the round. . . . It was a near thing for Winstone.

During the minute's rest, Thomas gave Winstone a lecture, and to everyone's surprise he came out in the second to mix things with his heavy hitting opponent. The knockdown brought Winstone to his senses, for this was not going to be the warm-up fight for his scheduled elimination fight against Jose Legra of Spain on July 24 in Porthcawl, Wales.

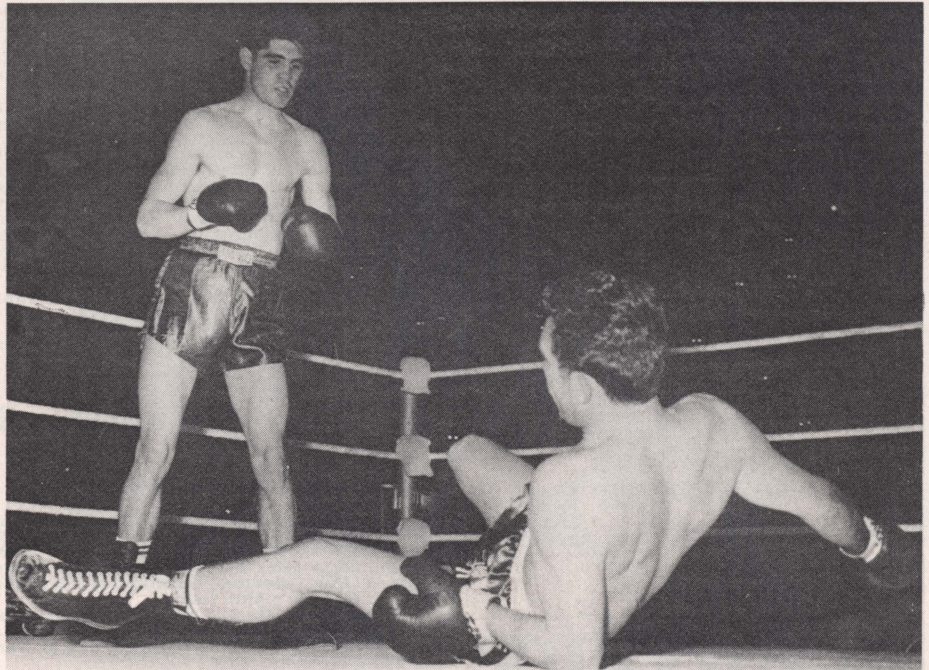
Coming out for the second round, Winstone surprised us all by forcing the issue and outboxing and out-fighting his younger opponent.

In the third, Winstone was back to his clever boxing, and as the bout proceeded Anderson seemed to lose confidence as he could not land his pay off punch. Towards the end of each round he put on a spurt to back Winstone against the ropes and land some heavy punches to the head.

By now Winstone had taken the lead. Suddenly Anderson landed some telling blows on the head as he was forced against the ropes. . . .

The final bell found them toe to toe, slugging it out.

I am of the opinion that Winstone after his bout with Legra, will call it a career,



Howard Winstone is floored by a right to the jaw delivered by Jimmy Anderson in the first round of their bout in London. Winstone rose at the count of eight and went on to capture the 10-round decision.

BRITISH EMPIRE RATINGS

(UP TO MAY 20, 1968)

HEAVYWEIGHTS

1. Henry Cooper (E)
2. George Chuvalo (C)
3. Brian London (E)
4. Billy Walker (E)
5. Billy Gray (E)
6. Carl Gizzi (W)
7. Jack Bodell (E)
8. Roger Tighe (E)
9. Roy Enifer (E)
10. Rocky Campbell (G)

CRUISERWEIGHTS

1. Bob Dunlop (A)
2. Young McCormack (E)
3. Eddie Avoth (W)
4. John Hendrickson (BWI)
5. Milo Cathaun (J)
6. Derek Richards (E)
7. Dickie Owens (E)
8. Percy Hayles (J)
9. Leweni Waqa (Fi)
10. Lloyd Walford (J)

MIDDLEWEIGHTS

1. Johnny Pritchett (E)
2. Wally Swift (E)
3. Lionel Ifill (Gu)
4. Les McAteer (E)
5. Gomeo Brennan (B)
6. Johnny Kramer (E)
7. Harry Scott (E)
8. Bunny Sterling (J)
9. Ron Beekin (A)
10. Fred Taupola (NZ)

WELTERWEIGHTS

1. Ralph Charles (E)
2. Lennox Beckles (Gu)
3. Johnny Cooke (E)
4. Pat Dwyer (E)
5. Joey Durelle (C)
6. Castors Abbey (G)
7. Peter Coblah (G)
8. Chuck Henderson (E)
9. Johnny DePrieza (T)
10. Chris Jobson (E)

JR. WELTERWEIGHTS

1. Des Rea (I)
2. Maurice Cullen (E)
3. Malcolm McKenzie (S)
4. Vic Andreotti (E)
5. Lex Hunter (J)
6. Don McMillan (S)
7. Mick Laud (E)
8. Liam Clark (I)
9. Bryn Lewis (W)
10. Terry Clark (E)

LIGHTWEIGHTS

1. Ken Buchanan (S)
2. Ray Adigun (N)
3. Love Allotey (G)
4. Bunny Grant (J)
5. Percy Hayles (J)
6. Jim McCormack (I)
7. Willie Rea (I)
8. Al White (E)
9. Arthur Bradley (A)
10. Winston Laud (E)

BANTAMWEIGHTS

1. Walter McGowan (S)
2. Alan Rudkin (E)
3. Evan Armstrong (S)
4. Johnny Clark (E)
5. Glyn Davies (W)
6. Patrick Mambwe (Z)
7. Brian Packer (E)
8. Bob Alotey (G)
9. Jackie Burke (C)
10. John Fitzgerald (E)

JR. LIGHTWEIGHTS

1. Jimmy Anderson (E)
2. Jimmy Revie (E)
3. Brian Cartwright (E)
4. George O'Neill (E)
5. Gilberto Biondi (A)
6. Bobby Dalby (A)
7. Terry Ball (A)
8. Bobby Fisher (S)
9. Len Gillis (C)
10. Jimmy Bell (S)

FLYWEIGHTS

1. John McClusky (S)
2. George Hind (S)
3. Tony Barlow (E)
4. Tommy Williams (E)
5. Kid Miller (Z)
6. Bill Amos (Z)

FEATHERWEIGHTS

1. Howard Winstone (W)
2. Johnny Famechon (A)
3. John O'Brien (S)
4. Billy McGrandle (C)
5. Toro George (NZ)
6. Ken Cooper (E)
7. Sean McCafferty (I)
8. Johnny Duncan (A)
9. Gerry McBride (E)
10. Monte Laud (E)

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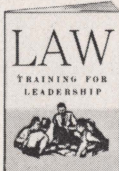


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VEGAS SEES NAVARRO MAKE IT 10 STRAIGHT

By Harley Drummond

Las Vegas, Nev.—Rubin Navarro, Los Angeles junior lightweight, who may become a contender for Hiroshi Kobayashi's world title, made it ten straight, plus a draw, when he outpointed Pete Gonzalez, Las Vegas, in the ten round main bout at the Silver Slipper.

Navarro, whose 129½ was matched by the local fighter, had too many punches for Gonzalez.

Jimmy Polk, 160, San Diego, and Ronnie Wilson, 165, Las Vegas, went six rounds to a draw.

Another six developed a unanimous decision for Bobby Francis, 204½, Long Beach, Cal., over Manuel Hernandez, Tucson, Francis had 26½ pounds on his opponent, not very good match-making.

Nat Williams, 150½, Las Vegas, scored a fourth round TKO against Mel Fields, 150½, Phoenix.

Jim Deskin, at the Commission, announced that Bobby Francis, ne Glaister, had signed with Mickey Thompson as his manager for four years.

Eddie Jones, Los Angeles light heavy, came up with a ten round decision in one of the Silver Slipper shows, against Frankie (Snake Bite) Niblett, of Oakland, Jones, 176½, Niblett 174½.

Bobby Rye, 160, Sylmar, Cal., stopped Steve Guttierrez, Vegas, in the fourth round.

Nate Williams, 149, Vegas, outpointed Frank Bradbury, 150, Sylmar, in an eight.

MIRANDA STOPS WARTHEN, P.R. REFEREE MOVES IN

By Juan A. Diaz Marchand

San Juan, Puerto Rico—"I wasn't in my best form." That was Bobby Warthen's excuse (159, Macon, Ga.) after his TKO defeat by Pedro Miranda (161, Colombia) two minutes and seven seconds into the eighth round.

The crowd of 3,000 was split on the decision of referee Ismael Quinones Falu to stop the fight. I had given three rounds to Miranda, one to Warthen, and two even.

It was a sound move to stop it. Bobby was groggy in his corner.

Miranda decked Bobby in the first round for a count of eight.

Dario Hidalgo (144, Dominican Republic) won in the semi-final against Ernesto (Milkman) Ortega (144, Puerto Rico.)

Ortega won the first two rounds but from then on Hidalgo punched him at will. The crowd protested against referee Roberto Gonzalez, who voted in favor of Ortega.

Alberto Jorge (130, Puerto Rico) defeated Cloverly Daniel (131, Saint Thomas) by TKO in the fourth round. Daniel was outclassed.

Angel Espada (120, Puerto Rico) starched Linford Contreras (119, Colombia). The KO came in the first round after two minutes and three seconds.

Andres Ortiz (122) won the decision after a four round match with Ismael Perez. (122). Both are from Puerto Rico.

HARRINGTON HITS DECK BUT OUTPOINTS WARREN

By Clarence Goldstein

St. Louis, Mo.—Bobby Harrington, 160, who now resides here, avenged a defeat when he gained a 10 round split decision over Willie Warren, of Corpus Christi, 160. Harrington came off the canvas in the fifth round, but had a sufficient lead to win the bout.

In a twin event of 10 rounds, A.J. Staples, St. Louis, 175, earned a TKO over Gene Romero, New Orleans, at the end of the eighth round when the doctor stopped the bout.

Al Banks, Dallas heavyweight, knocked out Walter Harvey, Dallas, in the third round. Harvey's jaw was fractured.

Roland Mackey, 154, and Billy Novack, Omaha, 154, drew in six, a repeat of their bout of the previous month. Bobby Garza, 141, a veteran of 102 bouts, drew with Charles Harvey, 140, in 6.

OLD HOME NIGHT GOES OVER LARGE IN TORONTO

By Frank Alnutt

Toronto, Can.—At a recent gathering of former Canadian fighters at the Mercury Club, a full house wished former Canadian welterweight champion Sammy Luftspring a happy birthday, and to mark his thirty five years in boxing. Many former champions were on hand, including, Maxie Berger (Montreal) former Dominion welterweight champ, Bert Schnieder (Montreal) Canada's first Gold Medal Olympic winner, 1920, and two of his team-mates, Chris Newton and Cliff Graham, both medal winners. Newton went on to win the Canadian lightweight title as a pro.

Horace 'Lefty' Gwynne, the Gold Medal winner for Canada in 1932 at the Games in L.A., in the Bantamweight class, later Canadian champ as a pro. Looking fit was Frankie Genevese, ex-welterweight champion. Close by, the little sensation of the thirties, 'Baby' Yack.

Jack 'Spider' Armstrong, featherweight who fought seven world champions and Toronto's 'Little' Arthur King, Canadian and British Empire champ, got a great reception. Former Canadian heavyweight champion Earl Walls looked as if he could get back into the business anytime. Jackie Johnson is still as popular today as he was when he was Canadian bantamweight champ thirty years ago.

A big hand was given to Jackie Phillips, ex-lightweight champ. The fans remembered him for his gallant battle with Jack 'Kid' Berg in Toronto. Albert 'Frenchy' Belanger, former Canadian and world flyweight champ, Joey Bagnoto, Max Kadin and Bobby Lawrence also were on hand.

Bob Felstein broke training for the day to pay his respects. He may meet George Chuvalo next month. Irving Ungerman came in the place of Chuvalo, who was in Germany entertaining Canadian troops there. Canada's first woman fight promoter, Mrs. Marion Bassett, received a bouquet of roses.

McGRANDLE BEATS VIERA, MAKES UP FOR KNOCKOUT

By Jacques A. H. Tachauer

Edmonton, Alberta, Can.—Billy McGrandle, 123, got back on the winning track by outpointing Blas Viera, 125, New York, in a ten rounder. The Canadian featherweight champion had his undefeated record blemished after ten straight wins when stopped in four heats by Durango Kid in his last previous appearance.

McGrandle had no trouble with Viera but the visitor gave a good account of himself and provided just the kind of opposition McGrandle needed.

Viera pressed the action most of the way and took Billy's best blows well, but failed to throw enough punches of his own to be a real threat. McGrandle boxed coolly and displayed only a trace of his old cockyness. He was a tired man in the final round. The decision was unanimous.

Al Ford, 138½, teenage prospect, added Denny Barthuly, 136½, San Diego, to his list of victims with a T.K.O. victory at 2:50 of the second round. Barthuly was dropped flat on his back by a sizzling right upper-cut near the end of the opening round. Ford decked his man twice more in the second and had Barthuly at his mercy when referee Jack Berry halted proceedings.

It was the seventh win in as many outings for the Edmontonian and his sixth via the K.O.

Jim McGowan, 146, Vancouver, B.C. won a unanimous six round decision over Ray Christian, 150, Winnipeg, Man. Christian carried the fight to McGowan and this proved to be his down fall. McGowan was the harder hitter and when he landed with his right he usually had Christian in trouble. He floored him with it in the third.

In another six rounder, Manny Lugo, 143, Mexico, was awarded a unanimous decision over Bobby Brooks, 142½, Chicago, in a dull affair. The show promoted by Mitch Klimov and Al Superstein was their eighth in the past nine months.

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Defeats Of German Stars Put Promoters In Quandary

By J. A. TREE

BERLIN, WEST GERMANY—Boxing in Germany is going through a crisis. Box-office stars no longer exist and it will be interesting to see what promoters now will serve up to the public.

The year started with European light heavyweight champion, Lothar Stengel being out-boxed by the 39 year-old American Harold Johnson. More recently Stengel made amends by stopping Ireno Werleman, but he still disappointed.

On the same programme near-retirement Karl Mildenerberger came to grief, being koed in the seventh by Leotis Martin of America.

Germany's lightweight champion, Karl Furcht went to France only to be halted by Maurice Tavant in the third. Conny Rudhof, one time European light welterweight leader, travelled to Belgrade where he was decised by Sandro Lopopolo, Italy.

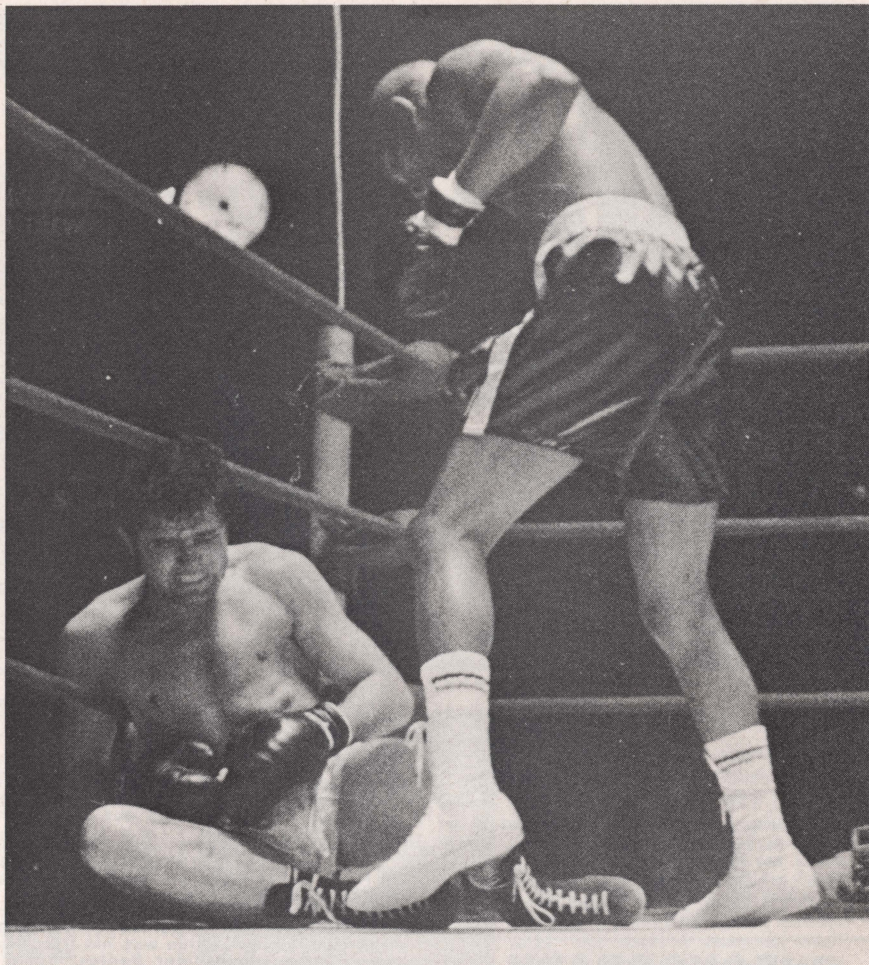
More recently Norbert Grupe, alias Wilhelm Von Homburg, topped a Berlin card, was decked five times by American Dave Bailey, and was finally outpointed. In the supporting bout, Germany's middleweight champion, Jupp Elze, was decised by Dramane Quedrago, France. German boxing is in trouble.

There are plenty of talented youngsters around but none ready to be brought in to top the bills against first class opposition from abroad.

Klaus Jager lost his German bantamweight title for not defending it against the only other boxer in the division—Werner Schreifels. Jager won his crown beating Edgar Basel in 1961.

Willi Quatuor, who recently won the German welterweight crown, will soon vacate it and fight among the light welterweights with the view of challenging the

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French middleweight Yolande Leveque grimaces in pain after being hit below the belt by America's Benny Briscoe during the fourth round of their bout at Paris' Palais des Sports. Leveque was awarded the contest via the disqualification route.

EUROPEAN RATINGS (UP TO MAY 20, 1968)

HEAVYWEIGHTS

- *1. Karl Mildenerberger (G)
2. Piero Tomasini (I)
3. Gerhard Zech (G)
4. Dante Cane (I)
5. Jurgen Blin (G)
6. Hans-Jorgen Jacobsen (D)
7. Giulio Saraudi (I)
8. Peter Weiland (G)
9. Bepi Ross (I)
10. Paul Roux (F)

WELTERWEIGHTS

- *1. Carmelo Bossi (I)
2. Jean Josselin (F)
3. Francois Pavilla (F)
4. Silvano Bertini (I)
5. Robert Gallois (F)
6. Stig Waltersson (Sw)
7. Aldo Battistuta (I)
8. Antonio Torres (S)
9. Domenico Tiberia (I)
10. Angel Guinaldo (S)

LIGHT-HEAVIES

- *1. Lothar Stengel (G)
2. Piero Del Papa (I)
3. Bernard Thebault (F)
4. Pekka Kokkonen (Fn)
5. Giovanni Biancardi (I)
6. Vittorio Saraudi (I)
7. Guerino Scattolin (I)
8. Alfredo Vogrig (I)
9. Wilhelm von Homburg (G)
10. Bernard Quellier (F)

LIGHT-WELTERS

- *1. Johann Orsolics (A)
2. Willi Quatuor (G)
3. Conny Rudhof (G)
4. Marcel Cerdan (F)
5. Juan Albornoz Sombrita (S)
6. Sandro Lopopolo (I)
7. Bruno Arcari (I)
8. Olli Maki (Fn)
9. Aissa Hashas (F)
10. Jean Brucellari (F)

BANTAMWEIGHTS

- *1. Salvatore Burrini (I)
2. Franco Zurlo (I)
3. Mimoun ben Ali (S)
4. Pierre Vetroff (F)
5. Antoine Porcel (F)
6. Tommasoni Galli (I)
7. Francois Martinez (S)
8. Jan Persson (Sw)
9. Toni Sassarini (I)
10. Jose Bisbal (S)

MIDDLEWEIGHTS

- *1. Carlos Duran (I)
2. Tom Bogs (D)
3. Jupp Elze (G)
4. Jacques Marty (F)
5. Pasco de Benedetto (F)
6. Karo Brunnholz (G)
7. Horst Wiecezorek (G)
8. Luis Folledo (S)
9. Bo Hoegberg (Sw)
10. Heinz Dieter Schwartz (G)

LIGHTWEIGHTS

- *1. Pedro Carrasco (S)
2. Kid Tano (S)
3. Borge Krogh (D)
4. Rene Roque (F)
5. Maurice Tavant (F)
6. Karl Furcht (G)
7. Oswald Lang (A)
8. Tore Magnussen (Ny)
9. Jacques Kancellary (F)
10. Aldo Pravisan (I)

FLYWEIGHTS

- *1. Fernando Atzori (I)
2. Fritz Chervet (SD)
3. Franco Sperati (I)
4. Fabian Bellanco (S)
5. Pierre Rossi (F)
6. Manuel Alvarez (S)
7. Albert Desproges (F)
8. Vittorio Riccardi (I)
9. Jo Horny (B)
10. Gerhard Maerez (F)

LIGHT-MIDDLES

- *1. Sandro Mazzinghi (I)
2. Remo Golfarini (I)
3. Yolande Leveque (F)
4. Jo Gonzales (F)
5. Bo Pettersen (Sw)
6. Jean Baptiste Rolland (F)
7. Gerhard Piaskowy (G)
8. Luigi Petruno (I)
9. Francisco Ferry (S)
10. Jose Hernandez (S)

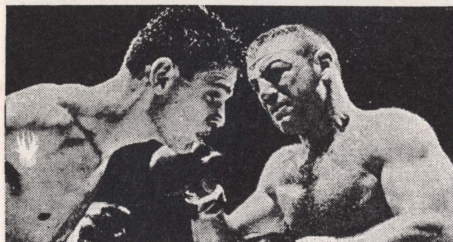
FEATHERWEIGHTS

- *1. Jose Legra (S)
2. Lothar Abend (G)
3. Manuel Calvo (S)
4. Yves Desmaret (F)
5. Michel Houdeau (F)
6. Giovanni Girgenti (I)
7. Renato Galli (I)
8. Marius Cordier (F)
9. Paul Rourre (F)
10. Kouider Meftah (F)

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SANTOS, EYEING FUJII SHOT, GETS BLASTED BY PRUITT

By Ted Yamachika

Honolulu, Hawaii—Adolph Pruitt, 139½, Los Angeles, knocked out Johnny Santos, 141¾, of Honolulu in 1:43 of the second round of a scheduled tenner at the Honolulu International arena.

After a tame first round, Pruitt rushed out for the kill and finished his task with dispatch. A right to the head put Santos down. He managed to get up at nine. Pruitt tore into the still wobbly Santos, who went down again, this time for keeps.

The promotion by Boxing Enterprises, Ltd. drew 5,331 fans and grossed \$17,926.50.

Domi Manalang, 122¼, Philippines, TKO'd Rocky Nakama, 116½, in the 4th of 8. Emil Austin, 134, knocked out Calvin Rivera, 135½, in the 6th and final round. Leroy Sayas, 135¼, beat Rivera, 138, of Los Angeles, in 6 rds: Filifili Alaiasa, 164½, chilled Bobby Jacobs, 158, in the 1st. Clarence Ramos, 137, TKO'd John Lopez, 135½, in the 2nd.

►Domi Manalang, 121¾, latest importation from the Philippines, proved too ringwise and easily outpointed local boy Teddy Doi, 121¼, in an eight round main event at the Civic Auditorium. Doi proved game but he was outclassed. Manalang was ahead in every round on all of the three officials' scorecards.

Himeli Sete, 147¾, TKO'd Goyo Fernandez, 148, Los Angeles, in the 5th of 6. The fight was stopped by referee Walter Cho because Fernandez was making no sustained effort.

Emil Agustin, 136, beat Ismael Rivera, 136, Los Angeles, 6 rds. David Sotelo, 118½, TKO'd Joe Soliven, 117½, in the 2nd of 4. Leonard Vasquez, 126¾, knocked out Joe Lorenzano, 131, in the 2nd.

►Johnny Santos, 142¼, scored a one-sided win over Rogelio Reyes, 139¾, Mexico, in a tenner at the Civic. This was another supposed tuneup bout for Santos. And he won as he pleased. Reyes was puffing through the later rounds.

Santos was being groomed for a return fight with Paul Fujii and this was his third win this year. Three weeks later Santos' hopes were blasted by Pruitt.

Leroy Sayas, 135¼, decisioned Calvin Rivera, 136, 6 rds. Rocky Nakama, 122, TKO'd Henry Dillard, 121¼, of Los Angeles in the 4th of 6.

Dennis Hesla, 148¾, outpointed Robert Fau, 153¼, 3 rds. Leonard Vasquez, 125¼, beat Paul Sebastian, 128, 3 rds. Clarence Ramos, 138½, outpointed John Lopez, 134¼, 3 rds.

ALONG THE VBA TRAIL By Jack Larkin

Arturo Godoy, former heavyweight contender who fought the great Joe Louis twice, is at the 20 dollar window at the Santiago (Chile) Race-track. . . . Joe Baski, former heavyweight, is now an iron worker in the Capital District of N. Y. state.

Bob Pastor, who also fought Louis twice, is a Pinkerton detective at race tracks in N. Y. and Fla. . . . Jim Bodecker, former Brooklyn middleweight, is the owner of a 10-unit motel in East Galaway, near Saratoga N. Y. Jim is also the Sgt. at Arms of Ring #26, Schenectady, N. Y. . . . Pete Petrolle, brother of Billy and the late Frankie, is a security officer in Los Angeles, Cal.

Lou Ambers, former lightweight champ, works in the post office and does much work for St. Mary's Church in Phoenix Ariz. . . . Chick Iovinnelli, vet. boxer who trained Marty Servo and Petey Virgin and many others in the Schenectady area is the proprietor of a Pueblo, Colo., night club. . . . Bobby King, amateur heavyweight of Riverdale, N. J., managed by George and Jack Larkin, has entered college and will be ordained as a priest when he graduates. . . . Lou Leo, former amateur middleweight, is a tile setting contractor in Schenectady, N. Y.

Leo Saranelli, vet featherweight star of the 40's, is manager of a night club in Albany, N. Y. . . . Ted Bailey, vet boxing promoter of Troy, N. Y., was saddened by the loss of his beloved wife. . . . Willie Lamorte, former flyweight title claimant and president of ring #25 of Essex, Union, and Morris Counties, N. J., spent his vacation in Miami Beach, Fla., recently.

Vinnie Vines, former middleweight, is an employee at the Schenectady, N. Y. G.E. Co. Vines' great fights were against Sugar Ray, Fritz Zivic and the late Sam Baroudi. . . . Don Doro, pres. of Ring 43, Utica N. Y., who was known as Mr. Utica

in boxing circles, works for the Utica Recreation Dept. . . . Frankie Alvarez, financial sec. of Ring 26 and former bantamweight contender is a sign painter in Schenectady, N. Y. . . . Carmine Fatta, lightweight contender who was managed by Katie Jenkins, former wife of former lightweight champ Lew Jenkins, now living in Newburg, N. Y. will form a V.B.A. club in that area.

Al Rosenfeld, who boxed under the name of Al Rosen during World War I, is a member of Ring #9 of Passaic & Bergen Counties, will leave his Newark N. J., home to settle in Montgomery, Ala. . . . Tony Viscio, vet middleweight of Schenectady N.Y., is in the contracting business. . . . Tony Conte, vet boxer of Amsterdam, N.Y., owns a row of motels in that city. He was managed by Joe Zeno of Amsterdam, N.Y.

Petey Virgin, former featherweight contender of the 40's, had his right eye removed at the V.A. Hospital in Albany, N.Y. recently. . . . Glen Lee of Nebraska, middleweight contender, who fought Freddie Steele, Al Hostak and many others, is a pari-mutuel taffer at the Phoenix, Arizona and Denver, Colo. dog tracks.

Tony Demarco, former welterweight Champion, who fought two sensational bouts with Carmen Basilio, is now living in Phoenix, Ariz. He is a liquor salesman. . . . Abe Feldman, former heavyweight contender who lives in Schenectady, N.Y., is a coal salesman. He recently lost his wife. . . . Benny Levine, formerly of New Orleans, La., who had made his home in Miami, Fla., is a deputy boxing commissioner in Miami Beach.

Les Cramer, pres. of Ring 6 of Camden, N.J., has secured new headquarters for Ring 6 at 38 So. 28th street, Camden, N.J. . . . Ring 26 of Schenectady, N.Y., presented ex-wer champ, Marty Servo with a check for \$775.00 at a bowling tournament held at the Schenectady Bowling Lanes. Servo was also presented a check by the Schenectady Union Star Sports Dept. Servo, who has cancer, now makes his home in Pueblo, Colo.

Charlie Walsh, former featherweight of the twenties, who boxed at the University of Penn., would like to know the whereabouts of former featherweight Johnny Piazza, whom he boxed at the Cambria in Phila. in 1920. Walsh, a member of Ring 4 of Boston, Mass., is with the school system in Salem, Mass. . . . Veteran boxer Baron Pate, who managed many outstanding boxers around N.J., Pa. and the New England States, is now living in Coral Gables, Fla. He is still active as a mgr.

Ring 31 of So. Fla. will hold its 2nd annual dinner and dance at the Hotel Algiers in Miami Beach, Fla. Benny Naber is pres. of this chapter. . . . John L. McCafferty, veteran boxing mgr. of Akron, Ohio, and Chet O'Kelly of Barborton, Ohio, will form a V.B.A. club in that area.

Johnny Antonacci, pres. of Ring 56 of Syracuse, N.Y., whose brother "Babeamos" Antonacci fought Eddie Snider in 1930, says that they are the best of friends. They both are members of Ring 56. . . . Tommy Colter was appointed to the nat'l board of directors by Ring 56. He is also on the board of directors of the Syracuse Boys Club.

Matt Boransky, sec. of Ring 26 of the Capital District of N.Y., was appointed a Nat'l V.B.A. board member of Ring 26. . . . Andrew "Red" Simko, member of Ring 9, is a member of the rec. dept. in Garfield, N.J. Simko was appointed Nat'l photographer of the N.V.B.A. by Nat'l Pres. Jack Larkin.

THE DETROIT AREA By Ed Wagonlander

Detroit, Mich.—Orville Qualls, who has been training in Detroit, traveled to St. Paul, Minn. and was knocked out by 250-pound Jim Beattie in 3 rounds. Qualls tipped the beam at 240.

Alvin "Blue" Lewis, 221, Detroit, scored a 7th round TKO over Dave Russell, 185, New York, at McKeesport, Pa., Lewis dropped Russell a couple of times with overhead rights in the final round.

Detroit's Dennis Stiletto, 150½, dropped the duke in 6 rounds to Baschir Qubti, 149, Toronto. Stiletto suffered a cut on his forehead in round 2 and an eye cut in round 4. Judge George Lupinassi scored it 29-27, Qubti, Judge Ernie Sesto 29-26, Stiletto, and referee Buck McTiernan 29-25, Qubti, to give the Toronto battler a split decision.

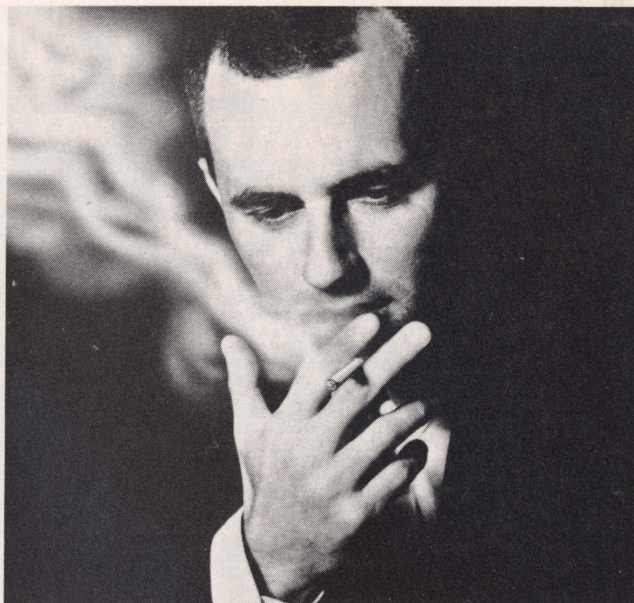
Leonard F. Hutchins, Detroit, outpointed Formus White, Las Vegas, to win the National Golden Glove 178 pound championship.

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BEATTIE STOPS QUALLS IN THREE AT ST. PAUL

By James J. Malcom

St. Paul—Weighing 243 pounds, Detroit's mammoth Orville Qualls nearly made good on his pre-fight prediction to annihilate Big Jim Beattie. For the first three minutes, Qualls out-boxed and out-punched St. Paul's local heavyweight. Midway through round two, Beattie began to plant short punches in Qualls' mid-section. Gradually, the methodical, stalking Beattie pummeled the strength out of his speedy opponent and at the end of round two dropped Qualls out of the ring and, were it not for the bell, out of the fight. In 45 seconds of round three, Beattie, who had never before seemed this aggressive and vicious, stretched Qualls on the canvas. He was out for over two minutes.

►Lou Gross, famous trainer, came from Miami to work with Aaron Eastling. Eastling's short work of Larry McGee, Chicago heavyweight, demonstrated he has responded to expert advice. Eastling, in spite of his excellent record, has always seemed to local fans to be colorless and cautious. None of that against McGee. Aaron may be the local fighter to watch.

►Duane Horsman was given a rough fight by Bob Riley, 164, of South Bend, whose cut eye robbed him of a possible upset win. Ed Hurley, Minneapolis heavy, was fortunate to get a draw against Fred Askew of Chicago.

►Earlier in the month, Bob Heine, the St. Paul promoter, presented another top card. Andy Heilman, ranked middleweight, filled the top spot against Smiley Johnson, who provided a willing but outclassed opponent. Heilman, coolly and calculatedly, threaded his punches to Johnson's face and TKO'd him in round four. The thrill fight of the evening, however, was provided by Kenny Lockhart and Bobby Carillo. Lockhart was on his way to becoming a local favorite. Unfortunately he has provided thrills at the expense of his own career. His last two fights were wins for the fan but losses for Lockhart. For three rounds Lockhart owned Carillo, punched him easily and cut him under both eyes. In round four, Carillo, who seemed unruffled by the pounding he was taking, began to come on. In round five Lockhart turned the tide momentarily by nearly dropping Carillo. No one could be sure of the winner as round six opened. Midway through a final and decisive round which Lockhart seemed to be winning, Carillo connected with a short left which dropped Lockhart to his back for too long a time. St. Paulites would like to see Lockhart pay less for the excitement and effort he puts forth.

REVIVAL IN UPSTATE N.Y. BRINGS OUT HUNGRY FANS

By Charles Keese

Syracuse, N. Y.—Boxing returned here after 3 years. The Canastota Boxing Club is running the cards, with Tony Grazino promoter. Hal "T.N.T." Carroll, 175, Syracuse's light-heavyweight, scored an 8 round t.k.o. over Sanford Bulla, 177, New York. The doctor stopped the fight with Bulla in severe pain due to a sprained right wrist.

In the semi-windup, Billy Backus, 145, Canastota's rugged southpaw t.k.o.ed Curtis Phillips, 147, New York.

Bobby Horton, 135, Syracuse, scored a T.K.O. over Vic Correa, 133, Puerto Rico.

Hector Cortez, 150, Canastota, and Rapheal Correa, 151, Puerto Rico, fought a 4 round draw.

►In another Syracuse show, Billy Backus, 145, Canastota, won a brawl from Juan Ramos, 150, New York. Billy was cut early in the fight, but stayed on top of Ramos to win the 10 round decision. Ramos was rocked in several rounds, but still kept moving in.

Bobby Horton, 142, Syracuse, scored a T.K.O. in the 6th round over Jesus Alicia, 145, Holyoke, Mass. The referee stopped the fight due to a cut eye.

Rocky Orengo, 136, New York, outpointed George Lopes, 132, Syracuse, in 6 rounds.

Rapheal Correa, 145, Puerto Rico, outpointed Hector Cortez, 150, Canastota, in 6 rounds.

Rapheal Marquez, 128, New York, decisioned Lou Hicks, 124½, Syracuse, in a 3 rounder.

►Syracuse fans saw Billy Backus, 146, Canastota, win his second straight windup when he gained a 10 round decision over Danny Andrews, 151, New York. After 4 close rounds, Billy came on strong to win the unanimous decision.

In the semi windup Poppa Villa, 137, New York, outpointed Bobby Horton, 136, Syracuse.

Rapheal Correa, 145, Puerto Rico, decisioned Jesus Alicia, 140, Holyoke, Mass., in a 6 rounder.

Danny Cochrane, 140, Bennington, Vt., outpointed Herby Walker, 145, Syracuse, in a 6 rounder.

Rapheal Marquez, 127, Puerto Rico, outpointed Lou Hicks, 122, Syracuse, in a 4 rounder.

►At Buffalo, Don Elbaum promoting, Vic Brown, 193, Buffalo's southpaw heavyweight, outpointed the veteran Von Clay, 183, Philadelphia, in a 10 rounder. Clay best round was No. 5. He tore up Brown's nose. The doctor checked after No. 5. Then Brown really went to work and took the last 5 rounds.

Bob Stallings, 200, New York, handed Al "Blue" Lewis, 217, Detroit, his first pro loss with

a T.K.O. in the 7th round. Al had won 14 straight. Jimmy Ralston, 168, Buffalo, returned to the ring with a first round K.O. over Sonny Moore, 166, Hempstead, L. I., with a left hook to the chin. Jimmy has 10 K.O.'s in 14 fights.

Jim Howard, 190, Niagara Falls, knocked out Frank Bullard, 179, Toronto, Canada, in the 4th round.

In the curtain raiser Ben Sheppard, 226, Buffalo, outpointed blond Tom Hicks, 182, Lockport, in a 4 rounder.

►At Buffalo before a standing room crowd, Vic Brown, 195½, Buffalo, scored a second round T.K.O. over Johnny Barraza, 206, Toronto. Referee Ed Seres stopped the fight after the second round, when Johnny left eye was closed and his nose bleeding.

Vic went to Barraza's corner after the fight. Johnny came off his seat swinging and threw Bernie Blacher, Vic's manager, to the floor, then dropped Barraza with a one-two. Barraza is not polite.

Jimmy Ralston, 171, Buffalo, decisioned Tommy Shaffer, 166, Uniontown, Pa. Judge Larry Brown and referee Ed Seres had it 10-0 for Ralston, and judge Dick Fay had 9-1.

Jim Howard, 200, Niagara Falls, knocked out Mack Harrison, 182, Akron, in the third round with two lefts to the stomach.

Joe Dinardo, 216, Toronto, outpointed Billy Kail, 215, Pittsburgh, in 4 rounds.

Julie Mandell, 138, Toronto, and Gary St. Germain, 142, also of Toronto, fought a 4 round draw.

►Another Buffalo show saw Jimmy Ralston, 170, Buffalo, score a 17 second knock-out over Herman "Scatterhawk" Dixon, 162, Florida, with a left hook to the chin. Jimmy wanted this one as Dixon was the only man to beat him in 17 fights, 2 years ago in Florida. It was three minutes before Dixon was revived.

Vic Brown, 194, Buffalo, knocked out Art Miller, 185, Mansfield, Ohio, in the 4th round. Brown dropped Miller in the 3rd and twice in the fourth.

Walt Kelly, 164½, Buffalo, outboxed Tommy Shaffer, 162½, Uniontown, Pa., in a 10 rounder.

Vince Cala, 142½, Buffalo, returned to the ring and displayed some of his old power when he stopped Bob Scott, 145, Akron, in the first round.

Terry Reed, 145½, Akron, outpointed Gary St. Germain, 140, Toronto, in a 4 rounder.

ELIAS IN SPLIT NOD OVER MIYASHITA AT PHOENIX By Al Fenn

Phoenix, Ariz.—Manny Elias, 120, Phoenix, had to go all out to gain a split decision over Osamu Miyashita, 120, Japan. It was a slam-bang 10 rounder.

Ricardo Rodriguez, 160, Phoenix, won in the third round from Manny Hernandez, 165, Tucson, in the semi.

Richard Flores, Tucson, decisioned Jesse Corrales, Phoenix, in a lightweight six rounder. Les Baker decisioned Ernie Esterbrook, Tucson, in four. They are welterweights.

►Phoenix, Ariz.—Boxing continued on the upswing and globe-trotting Tony Montana headlined once again. The 31-year-old Phoenix veteran took on Tucson's Bobby Rascon in a state lightweight title fight. Montana stunned everyone with a clean-cut seventh round KO. It was scheduled for 12 rounds.

State junior lightweight champion Raul Carreon continued to impress with a unanimous 8-round decision over rugged Chlango Lopez, Mexico.

Jesse Corrales, 140, Phoenix won a six-rounder from Gilberto Leon, 141, Phoenix, and Richard Flores, 130, Tucson stopped Popo Acosta, 135, Tucson, in third.

BOXING IN NICARAGUA

By Miguel A. Rivas Ojeda

Managua—Ray Mendoza: Nicaragua, 117 lbs., K.O.'ed Tuzo Molina: Costa Rica., 122, in 3 rounds. Ricardo Arredondo: Mexico., 120, K.O.T.'ed Pablo Emilio Buitrago: Nicaragua., 120, in 4 rounds.

►Francisco Coronado, Nicaragua., 130½ lbs., decisioned Mongol Noguez 131½, Mexico, in 10. Eli Flores, 113 lbs., decisioned Armando Figueroa, 112, Nicaragua in 8.

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THE BRITISH ISLES

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while Anderson will go forward after international experience.

Both scaled inside the contracted weight of 132 lbs.

Ralph Charles, British and Empire welterweight champion, defeated Joey Durelle, holder of the Canadian title. They had a scrambling bout for four rounds. Then Durelle received a badly cut eye which forced referee Bill Williams to intervene. Both were inside 150.

Peter Boddington, Coventry, 190, and Ernie Fields, Rothwell, 185½, fought strenuously for seven rounds with southpaw Boddington proving too strong for Fields. Referee Benny Caplan stopped the bout.

John McCluskey, Hamilton, British flyweight champion, laboured hard to outpoint Fabian Bellanco, champion of Spain, in a listless ten.

Brian Hudson, Woodford, stopped Lloyd Wallace, Jamaica, in the second of a junior welterweight bout. Terry Daly, Battersea outpointed Dennis Avoth, Cardiff, in a heavyweight six.

► **LONDON**—Eddie Avoth, Cardiff, 173, number one challenger for Young McCormack's cruiserweight title, was forced to fight hard to score a narrow points win over John Hendrickson, Battersea, 177, in a thrilling eight. Referee Bill White scored it Avoth, 39½; Hendrickson, 39¼. In their previous contest, Avoth was credited with a three round victory, but on this occasion, a fitter opponent faced the Welshman, and the latter was forced to box on the retreat. Hendrickson scored with lefts to the head and body. With Avoth fighting back, they battled for the full 30 minutes.

When White raised Avoth's hand a storm of protest followed. Most onlookers were of the opinion that Hendrickson deserved a draw.

Carl Thomas, Cardiff, 162, outpointed Panther Cyril, Glasgow, 160, in a hard fought eight.

Dickie Owens, Reading, 168½, repeated over George Striker, Birmingham, 173¼, in an all action six. Referee Jack Short scored them 30 to 29.

Frank Rumble, East Ham, 167, did well in his first paid contest when he stopped Des O'Connor, Birmingham, 170, in the fifth.

► **SHEPHERDS BUSH, LONDON**—Terry Daly, Battersea heavyweight, got back in his winning stride when he defeated Barry Rodney, Jamaica, in the sixth. The referee intervened after Rodney received a cut eye. . . . Brian Hudson, Woodford, stopped Tom McNeill, Hammersmith, in the second of a junior welterweight bout the latter retired with an injured hand. Johnny Brown, Cardiff, knocked out Tommy Carson, Notting Hill, in the eighth and final round of a welterweight contest.

Dick Reeves, Bermondsey, outpointed Graham Stuart, Deptford, in a cruiserweight six. . . . Bill Deasey, Oxford, outpointed Rod Griffiths, Hammersmith, in a middleweight six.

► **WORLD SPORTING CLUB, LONDON**—Des Rea, Belfast, junior welterweight champion of Great Britain, 141½, had to pull out all stops to outpoint Lex Hunter, Bermondsey, 137.

Hunter forced the pace against southpaw Rea, who boxed well on the retreat, countering well, and slipping many punches. . . . At half way Rea showed his supremacy, but in the last two rounds Hunter's strength began to tell. Rea used his skill to the end of the hectic eight rounds to receive referee Bill Williams decision. The score was 39½ to 39.

Terry Feeley, Glasgow, 189½, knocked out Charlie White, Northampton, 203, in the fourth, which lasted 1 min. 34 secs.

Dickie Owens, Reading, 167½, made little of a weight disadvantage when he waded in to stop Dick Reeves, Camberwell, 176, in the second round. Referee Harry Paulding intervened after Reeves had taken several counts.

Peter Freeman, Sheffield 159½, who started boxing in Canada, showed fighting ability that will make him an attraction like his mentor Terry Downes. Freeman stopped Joe N'Wansi, Nigeria, 158, in 1 min. 34. sec. of the second round. Referee Paulding intervened. . . . Billy

Hardacre, Liverpool, 128, stopped Sonny Mc-Northey, Ghana, 127½, in the third.

► **ANGLO-AMERICAN-SPORTING CLUB, MANCHESTER**—Don Davis, Jamaica, 149, turned the tables on Fred Powney, Doncaster 148, when he stopped the latter in the seventh. Fred received a gashed eye.

Powney was the more clever, and was set for a points win, but in the seventh, he was caught by a vicious swing that put him down for eight. Soon he was forced to take another count, of seven. . . . Davis then caught Powney with a long right that cut his eye and referee Jack Lord wisely stopped the bout.

Tony Moore, Manchester, and George Scott, Liverpool, fought a bantamweight six to a draw. . . . Phil Dykes, Liverpool, outpointed Barry Coley, Birmingham, in a welterweight six. Winston Thomas, Bermondsey, outpointed Joe O'Kezie, Nigeria, Nigeria & Leicester, in a welterweight six.

► **GOSFORTH**—Chuck Henderson, Peterlee, 149½, landed a hard left hook on Young Gabriel, Belfast, 150½, just as the bell sounded the end of the fourth. His corner called referee Fred Wintrip to say that their man could not continue. The Irish lad had been downed for a no count. . . . Frank Fitzgerald, Leeds, 125, and Pat Joe Quinn, Cookstown, 128, put up a fine scrap, with the honors going to Quinn by 29½ to 29¼, at the end of six rounds.

Brian Smyth, Belfast, 132, trailing on points against Billy Surgenor, Doagh, 129, sprang a surprise when he landed a damaging right to Surgenor's nose. The referee stopped the contest in the third.

► **BIRMINGHAM**—Pandemonium broke loose at the Embassy Sportsdrome, when referee Georges Gondre, of France, ruled out Wally Swift of Nottingham, 155½, in the tenth round for misuse of his head against Carlos Duran, Italy, 162¾. They were meeting for the European middleweight title held by Duran.

Swift, the shorter by 6 inches, tried to forced the pace from the first bell. Swift gained an early lead. . . .

In the sixth Duran suffered a badly cut eye, and complained that he had been butted.

Referee Gondre cautioned Swift for using his head.

In the tenth, which lasted only 55. sec. Swift again went into the attack, and as Duran looked appealingly to Gondre, the latter sent Swift back to his corner, DISQUALIFIED.

Then the fun began. The fans threw everything portable into the ring. . . . Chairs, programmes, coins and balls of paper. One chair hit Steve Fagan, boxing writer for The Daily Sketch, and he went out.

George O'Neill, Wolverhampton, Midland featherweight champion, 125½, was held to a draw, by Bobby Davies, West Ham, 125½, in a thrilling eight. . . . Gene Innocent, Cardiff, 201, knocked out Rocky James, Bristol, 187½, in the third with a right to the jaw, and it took "The Rock" many minutes before he could leave the ring. Ike Mullen, Dublin, 145¾, survived a couple of knockdowns in the first against Joe Barnes, Jamaica, 147, and gained a points decision in eight.

Bunny Johnson, Birmingham, 182, outpointed Paul Brown, West Bromwich, 197½, in six. Johnny Jennings, Birmingham, 131¾, took 2. mins. 20. secs of the first to knock out Johnny Ratcliffe, Bristol, 131½.

► **BELFAST**—Willie Rea, Belfast, who recently caused an upset when he defeated Al White, was hard pressed to gain a points win over John O'Neill, Glasgow, in a welterweight eight. Jim McAuley, Belfast, outpointed Pat Joe Quinn, Cookstown, in a featherweight six. Dave McCooke, Antrim, outpointed Brian Smyth, Belfast, in a lightweight six. Paddy Graham, Belfast, stopped Brady Barlow, South Africa, in the second of a welterweight bout.

► **BETHNAL GREEN, LONDON**—Chris Jobson, East Ham, is the new welterweight champion of the Southern Area, by virtue of his points win over Ivan Whiter, Pakistan, at the end of ten interesting rounds. Referee Pat Floyd scored them 49½ to 48½, and the crowd jeered. Whiter suffered a cut eye in the fifth.

Phil Watford, West Ham, outpointed Dervan Airey, Bristol, in a cruiserweight eight. Joe Bugner, St. Ives, via Hungary, 6 ft 4 in of hulk, was too big and strong for Egbert Johnson, Forest Hill, who lasted 40 secs. of the first round. Dannie Ashie, Brixton, stopped Mike Fleetham, Lincoln, in the fifth of a middleweight bout. Billy Brown, Hackney, outpointed Pat Marshall, Bristol, in a welterweight six.

► **WALWORTH**—Mark Rowe, Camberwell, was declared winner over Assane Fakyh, Paris, who failed to come out for the sixth. Referee Harry Gibbs went over to Fakyh's corner as the bell rang. The latter just shrugged his shoulders and the referee had no option but to rule him out. . . . It was discovered that the Lebanese was suffering from a gash inside the mouth. . . . The blame was on the corner men for not letting the referee know about the damage. . . . The large crowd roared their disapproval at the termination, as at no time did Fakyh show any signs of the injury. Rowe suffered a badly cut right eye.

It was touch and go for Rowe, as the referee gave him one more round. Rowe came out with more dash than usual, and punished Fakyh with terrific head and body blows till the bell sounded. . . .

Johnny Fitzgerald, Bermondsey, 121, a youngster to watch, for he turned in a good win in stopping Frank Fitzgerald, Leeds, 121½, in the fifth. After Frank received a badly cut eye he retired at the bell. Johnny Branch, Bermondsey, and Pat Vernie, Islington fought a cruiserweight six to a draw. . . . Angus McQuade, Hebrides, knocked out Ken Lewis, Lewisham, in the second of a cruiserweight bout. Wendie Smith, Brixton, outpointed Joe Somerville, Watford, in a middleweight six.

► **MANCHESTER**—Gerry McBride, Manchester, won the Central Area, featherweight title, when he showed a clear lead at the end of ten rounds. Early in the first, McBride received a cut eye which yielded to treatment during the rest period. In the eighth, it was Terry Halpin, Wombwell, who received a damaged optic, and was sent down for two short counts.

Jim Swords, Manchester, southpaw middleweight, and Larry Brown, Birmingham, fought eight to a draw.

Tommy Woods, Manchester, stopped Leon Smart, Preston, in the sixth of a heavyweight contest. Jeff Ryan, Manchester, outpointed George Scott, Liverpool, in a featherweight six. Frank Poleon, Birmingham, outpointed Sean Dolan, Manchester, in a cruiserweight six. Amos Talbot, Manchester, outpointed Barry Coley, Birmingham, in a welterweight six.

► **NATIONAL SPORTING CLUB, LONDON**—Lloyd Walford, Chesterfield, 177, and Dave Barber, Dublin, 174¾, wrestled in their scheduled eight. Referee Harry Humphries, his patience tested to the limit in the third, ruled out the Irishman for persistent holding. Both were to blame.

Tom Bell, Granada, 160, knocked out Dick Duffy, Cardiff, 158¾, in the fifth. Clive Cook, Cardiff, 158½, and Bill Deasey, Oxford, 156½, drew in six. Peter Quinn, Swindon, 148, stopped Rod Griffiths, Paddington, 151, in the third.

► **SHOREDITCH**—Jimmy Revie, Stockwell, after losing to Jimmy Anderson for the junior welterweight title, made a new effort and clearly outpointed Bobby Davies, West Ham, in eight. Referee Benny Caplan scored them 39½ to 37½.

Tommy Moore, Stepney, did a good job on Panther Cyril, Glasgow via Nigeria, who was saved in the seventh by the referee.

Terry Clarke, West Ham, stopped Van der Walt, South Africa, in the sixth. Ola Alalade, Nigeria, stopped Roger Adolph, Canada, in the third of a bantamweight contest.

► **WOLVERHAMPTON**—Jackie Turpin, Leamington, Nephew of former world champion Randolph Turpin, continues winning. In stopping Ivor Drew, East Ham, in the fourth, he fought the best fight to date as a professional. After being dropped for eight, Drew was powerless against the fast hitting Turpin. The referee intervened.

Bunny Johnson, Birmingham, did well to outpoint Billy Wynter, Antigua, in a heavyweight six. Brenden Ingle, Belfast, outpointed Peter Lane, Kirby in Ashfield, in a middleweight six. Johnny Jennings, Birmingham, outpointed Brian Smyth, Belfast, in a lightweight six. Keith Meese, Wolverhampton, 178, outpointed Melville Francis, Reading, 178, in six.

► **NATIONAL SPORTING CLUB**—Roy John, Abercynon, 161½, gained a points win over Larry Brown, Birmingham, 162, in eight. Richie Jackson, Bermondsey, 119, stopped Laurie Redfern, Liverpool, 119½, in the second. Harry Lounds, Derby, 128½, outpointed Joey Lando, Liverpool, 128½, in six. Paul Cassidy, Bourne-mouth, 186, outpointed Mick Oliver, Holloway, 188, in six.

► **ANGLO AMERICAN SPORTING CLUB, LONDON**—Young John McCormack, Brixton, British cruiserweight champion, scrambled home to a points win over Lloyd Walford, Chesterfield, in a ten. The bout was marred by holding.

Mick Cain, Southend, defeated Brendan Ingle, Belfast, when the latter was disqualified in the fifth of a middleweight bout. Jackie Lee, Shoreditch, outpointed Winston Thomas, Jamaica, in a middleweight six.

► **PREMIER SPORTING CLUB, KENSINGTON**—Don McMillan, Glasgow, defeated Don Davis, Jamaica, in the second of a welterweight bout after Davis had suffered a cut eye. Terry Feeley, Glasgow, stopped Paul Browne, Birmingham, in the second. Heavyweights Joe Somerville, Watford, stopped Joe Cassle, Jamaica, in the second Middleweights.

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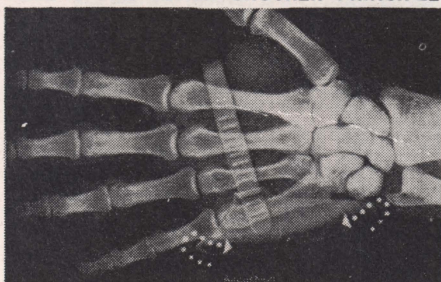
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On the left is Crusher Verdu, who is always on the move, but always manages to be back in Ohio for Christmas with his family. At right, Josef Molnar, who hails from Hungary, is one of the finest wrestlers from the Continent.

By MARIO MULDOON

LONDON—Dale Martin Promotions Ltd., the largest promoters of professional wrestling in Great Britain, have certainly brought in more than a fair sprinkling of star continentals and wrestlers from further afield during the 1968 season.

First there was the big Spanish-American from Ohio, U.S.A., "Crusher" Verdu. The "Crusher" has come onto the British wrestling scene with such regularity, paying us at least one visit a year, that many fans find it hard to believe that he isn't permanently domiciled here. This of course, is far from the case. He is also to be found wrestling his way all over Europe, where no doubt the locals there also look on him as a permanent resident. Wherever he happens to be, around about mid-December he starts packing his bags and buying an airline ticket to take him back home to spend Christmas with his family.

Josef Molnar, the brilliant Hungarian, paid us yet another of his too infrequent flying visits. Molnar, the young Hungarian peasant boy who went on to win every amateur and professional wrestling title that his country had to offer, wasn't content to stop at that. He went on to become champion of Europe, too. He is a dedicated wrestler, and probably the finest exponent of the "Suplex" throw in the wrestling profession.

Luc Barreto, the Cuban heavyweight, impressed very much, but unfortunately, just before he was due to appear at London's famous Royal Albert Hall and realize a life-long ambition, he was called back to Spain where his application to become a Spanish national was coming up for review, though not before he had been seen in

action on television by millions of viewers who now look forward to seeing him back once he has sorted out his private affairs.

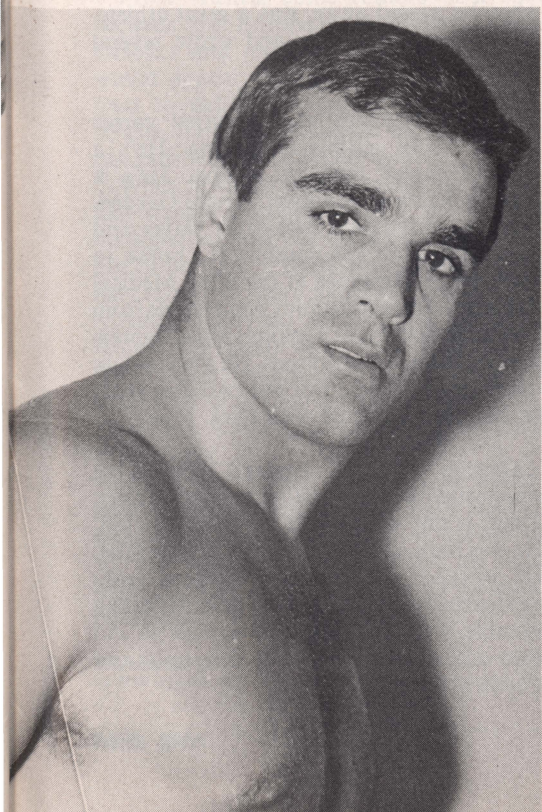
Young Manuel Polman of Spain paid his third trip to England, also to make an appearance at Royal Albert Hall. His ariel style of non-stop exciting wrestling went well with the vast audience. He'll be most welcome any time he cares to make the trip back.

Jim Osborn, the red-headed matman from the U.S.A., was yet another globe-trotting grappler to cross the pond and trade grips with the best that England and the Continent had to offer. A good account he gave too, and made many friends while he was here. "One of the best Yanks we've had in years," is how many of the fans have described Jim, and they're the ones that count.

Professor Addi Wasser, the Judo champion of the world, as he is billed, hadn't paid us a visit for over two years when he

decided to come over at the beginning of the new year. His showing against many of England's leading heavyweights gave us ample proof that he will continue to be a big name in European wrestling for many years to come.

These are just a few of the overseas stars presented by Dale Martin, to the ever growing public which attends their promotions, just part of the ever changing kaleidoscope of colorful characters that make our sport so interesting.



Luc Barreto (above) is a Cuban who intends to become a Spanish citizen. He has made several TV appearances and British fans are looking forward to seeing him in action. At right is Professor Addi Wasser, the Judo Champion of the World, who returned to English rings after a two-year hiatus.



Manuel Polman, the Spanish mid-heavy, who proved to be a big hit at Royal Albert Hall on a recent visit.

IN SUNNY CALIFORNIA

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Smith, 119, Portland, for ten rounds. It was unanimous for Alvarez.

Pajarito Corona, 136, outpointed Felix Corral, 137, (6); Olin Martin, 127, decisioned Guillermo Gonzalez, 127, (4).

► Former All Service bantamweight champion Roy DeFillipas, 127, suffered his first setback as a pro when Jose Moreno, 127, San Jose, bombed him out in the second round.

The former tar was a slight favorite over Moreno. However, Roy was never in the scrap as the fiery little Mexican floored him twice in the second.

Following the second knockdown, referee John Thomas raced in to stop the fracas as DeFillipas' manager, Wes Wombold, tossed in the towel.

Tommy Garrison, 143, Oakland, had too much experience for Julian Tellez, 146, nailing down a unanimous verdict in a second 10-rounder.

John Padilla, 153, decisioned Billy King, 155, (6). Olin Martin, 130, drew with Memo Guerrero, 130, (4).

► George Parnassus, age 73, a prominent figure in boxing throughout the world, returns to the California scene as an active promoter. Parnassus, who went into semi-retirement in 1967, has been awarded a license by the California Commission.

The new 16 million dollar Forum in the Los Angeles suburb of Inglewood will serve as Parnassus' home base. The Forum, which hasn't had a professional boxing promotion yet, seats 19,000.

Parnassus was formerly a partner of the late Cal Eaton and Mrs. Aileen Eaton at the Olympic Auditorium. He joined them in 1957 and exited during the summer of 1966. During his nine year span with the Eatons, George paired up 21 world championship fights.

The most successful was the 1960 show at the Los Angeles Coliseum, which saw Jose Becerra knock out Alphonse Halimi to retain his bantamweight crown and Carlos Ortiz stop Battling Torres in defense of his junior welter title. Attendance was over 30,000 and the gate was \$383,080.

A native of Methone, Greece, Parnassus managed countless boxers up to the time he teamed with the Eatons. His top stars included Ceferino Garcia, who held the

middleweight championship in the late thirties. He also handled Juan Zurita, who defeated Sammy Angott for the lightweight title.

Parnassus's plans call for the use of many of Mexico's leading attractions, namely Chu Chu Castilio, Jesus Pimentel, Octavio Gomez, Manuel Ramos, Arturo Lomeli, Jose Napoles and Rafael Gutierrez.

George is proud of his sons, Bill, a physician and George Jr., a priest.

The Forum is owned by Jack Kent Cooke, who also is president of the Los Angeles Lakers of the National Basketball Association, and the Kings of the National Hockey League.

Cooke, though he has never been active in ring promotions, is an avid fan. He has promised Parnassus his 100 percent co-operation. Cooke is close to New York's Madison Square Garden. It wouldn't be surprising to see the Garden and the Forum working together.

"I'LL BE HEAVYWEIGHT KING BY '70"—FOSTER

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and scored a knockout in six rounds.

Of his 12 opponents, Floyd Joyner was the most experienced. But Joyner became another notch in Foster's knockout belt.

Steve Grant of Oakland appeared to be Foster's toughest foe thus far.

Grant is also a young fighter with about as many bouts as Foster. But Grant had fought Henry Clark, Calif. State heavyweight champion twice for the state title. He extended Clark in both, one being a split decision.

Foster, on the night, of February 27, 1968, was equal to the task. He looked his best. Sampling a few of Grant's best punches without flinching, he soon had Steve on queer street with a good assortment of hard punches. Mac stopped Grant in the second round.

The Pacific Coast has three young heavyweights that stand in Foster's way to the top—Henry Clark, Boone Kirkman and Jerry Quarry. Of the three, Clark is within reach. Kirkman and Quarry are still at least a year away as opponents.

Manager DiFuria is considering either Clark or "Scrapiron" Johnson as Foster's next opponent.

Like Young Corbett, Foster's best booster is his father, who, like Corbett's dad, never misses any of his son's fights. He always has a ringside seat and cheers his boy on.

Foster is very popular with the citizens of Fresno, whether they are fight fans or not. He is a likeable chap of good character and clean habits. He neither smokes nor drinks.

Harold Murrell, Fresno boxing promoter, must be given a certain amount of credit for the rise and success of Mac Foster. He has always agreed to the

selection of opponents for Foster by his manager. He has continued to use Foster as his main attraction despite the fact that some of the cards have lost money such as Foster's last bout with Sonny Moore. The house showed a \$1,000 loss for Murrell.

Foster predicts he will be the heavyweight champion of the world by 1970. If he keeps improving and sustains no serious injury along the way, who knows? He might just do it.

UP AND DOWN OLD BROADWAY

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Leotis Martin was glad now he trained with big Buster Mathis. When a call came to box Karl Mildener, Martin was in excellent condition and won by a seven-round KO in Frankfurt, Germany.

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Ray Robinson, who is getting much work with TV and movies, will add a Broadway play to his future engagements. He works out several times a week at the National Maritime Union gymnasium on W. 17th St., and keeps his weight the same as when he retired as a fighter.

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Bill Miller, who operates a weekly boxing club in Las Vegas, is trying to get a national TV boxing outlet for his programs.

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The passing of the great George Hackenschmidt, the "Russian Lion", brought back memories of the close relationship between him and the great American wrestler, the late George Bothner. When Hack visited America some years back, Bothner brought him over to be a guest on our Hour of Champions. The Lion's meeting with Frank Gotch out Chicago way was the greatest publicized mat duel. Hack, who was 90 when he passed away, was a great athlete. He later turned writer and wrote several books.

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Sammy Graham had a varied career before finally settling in boxing. He's a real all-round man in boxing. He's a favorite figure at Madison Square Garden. Sammy started as a basketball player and used to box at 135 pounds. He broke in with Jimmy Ambrose at the 62nd Medical Regiment Armory. Sammy's job ranges from handling tickets to looking after fighters coming from distant shores. He's also set up many boxing rings. For the past few years he has been affiliated with Dick Tiger.

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George 'Chickie' Ferrara, whose big responsibility now is being trainer of Dick Tiger, is one of the best in the profession. He was born and still lives on the East Side. He worked with Rocky Marciano years ago for the Harry "Kid" Matthews fight. The likeable Ferrara also saw service as cut man with champions Nino Benvenuti and Carlos Ortiz.

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EUROPEAN GOSSIP

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European champion, Johann Orsolics.

Denmark promoter Mogens Palle has made an attractive offer to Mildenerberger to defend his European crown against Hans Jorgen Jacobsen in Copenhagen.

European middleweight champion Carlos Duran is asking a hatful to defend his crown against Jupp Elze in Germany.

Dr. Giuseppe Mangini was voted in as new president of the Italian Federation—a post which lasts for four years. Vice president is Dr. Piero Pini, EBU General Secretary.

European bantamweight champion Salvatore Burrini, Italy, gained little from his Mexico venture. He was tko'ed in third by Ruben Olivares. The end was surprising. Burrini appeared hurt from a left to the head and turned and walked to his corner. The referee immediately stopped the fight. It was Burrini's 8th defeat in 104 starts.

Boxing journalists in Italy, belonging to the Associazione Nazionale Italiana Scrittori Pugilato, came up with a surprise. They voted light middleweight champion of Europe, Sandro Mazzinghi, Italy, Fighter of the Year 1967. Nino Benvenuti, who appeared to be a certainty for this yearly award, was runner up. European middleweight champion Carlos Duran was third, European flyweight king Fernando Atzori was fourth. In fifth position was European welterweight champion Carmelo Bossi. Adriano Sconcerti was number one manager and the promoters award went to Rodolfo Sabattini.

Libero Golinelli, four years trainer of Nino Benvenuti, is said to have split with manager Amaduzzi. Sandro Lopopolo is also reported to be leaving the stable of Steve Klaus and joining up with Golinelli.

From Austria come rumors of a split between the European champion Johann Orsolics and manager Karl Marchart. It would appear that after signing the contract to defend his crown against Bruno Arcari, Italy, the champion decided he was not satisfied with the guarantee.

When it was pointed out that he already had signed, Orsolics made it known that his signature was not valid because he was not 21 until May. Reports say that Orsolics may have two more fights and retire.

Adolf Eder has secured the Orsolics-Arcari European light welterweight title fight for Vienna. His bid \$35,200 was better than that of Italian promoters Dr. Rino Tommasi. A third bid came from German Willy Zeller.

One time French champion at welterweight, middleweight and light heavyweight, Francis Charles died at the age of 68. He will be remembered for his fight with Ted Kid Lewis. Now for Continental results:

GERMANY

►Wolfsburg—Arno Przybilski found only 1500 in the arena, which was very disappointing for

the attractive card offering 38 rounds of boxing. Light heavyweight, Detlev Naseband, decided Franz Hoyer, 6. Conny Velensek beat Macan Keita, Guinea, TKO7. Kurt Stroer beat Roland Graetz, TKO7. Super welterweight, Kemal Kramci, Turkey, decided Hartmut Genat, 8. Middleweight, Hans Dieter Schwartz, (20 bouts, lost 1), decided Michel Blink, Holland, 8. ►Frankfurt—Joachim Gottert said he made money although only 6,000 were in the Festhall for his Karl Mildenerberger-Leotis Martin top liner. Martin collect \$4000 and the German was on 25% of the gate receipts. The European heavyweight champion Mildenerberger was counted out in round seven as he lay on the canvas a third time.

European light heavyweight king, Lothar Stengel, Germany, beat Ireno Werleman, born in Germany, based in Holland, TKO4. His performance left a great deal to be desired.

Middleweight, Karo Brunnholz beat Ezzard Charles, Junior, KO2. This was Karo's 14th fight with 13 wins and 1 draw. Super lightweight, Conny Rudhof, Germany, was the star performer of the evening, beating Jarmo Bergloef, Finland, TKO3. Light welterweight, Werner Mundt beat fellow German, Manfred Lessmann, TKO5.

►Berlin—New promoter Willy Zeller saw 7,000 in the Sportpalast. His star, Wilhelm Von Homburg, was decked five times before being outpointed in a ten rounder against Dave Bailey, America. In a light heavyweight affair between Germany's middleweight champion, and official challenger for Carlos Duran's European title, Jupp Elze, and Frenchman, Dramane Ouedrago, the German lost the eight rounder on points.

Horst Wiczorek once drew with Ouedrago. It took Elze ten rounds to beat Ezzard Charles, Junior, where-as Karo Brunnholz beat him in two frames.

Heavyweight, Horst Dreyer, Germany, stopped Emile Svaricek, a Yugoslavian based in Austria, in 4. Super welterweight, Hartmut Genat decided fellow German Horst Brinkmeier, 6. Middleweight, Horst Wiczorek, Germany, beat Expedite Mouncho, France, the latter being disqualified in round seven after three warnings for a careless head.

YUGOSLAVIA

►Belgrade—Conny Rudhof, Germany, lost to Sandro Lopopolo, Italy, ten rounds. A right to the head dropped the German in round one. Conny disputed the verdict and will think twice before making another journey here.

ITALY

►Rome—Bantamweight, Nevio Carbi decided Enrico Gismondi, 10.

►Pesaro—Lightweight, Bruno Melissano D10 Miguel Kimbo. Welterweight, Bruno de Pace decided Michele Gulloti, 12.

►Brindisi—Welterweight, Italo Duranti decided Efen Donati, 8.

►Quarto—Lightweight, Antoni Puddu beat Jesus Zarco, TKO4.

►Reggio—Welterweight, Ermanno Fosoli beat Piero Salami, TKO6. Angel Garcia beat Joe Africa, KO9. Middleweight, Dramane Ouedrago beat Tommaso Truppi, TKO6.

►Padua—Bantamweight, Salvatore Burrini decided Manuel Alvarez, 10 (non title). Light heavyweight, Giovanni Biancardi beat Sonny Moore, TKO3. Welterweight, Lar Shonibare beat Mario Sacchi TKO4. Eddie Blay decided Mario Landolf, 6.

►Pesaro—Franco Sperati retained his national flyweight title with a decision over Vittorio Riccardo, 12. Welterweight, Massimo Consolati decided Miguel Piriz, 8.

►Rome—Welterweight, L. C. Morgan drew in a 10 with Angel Garcia. It was a colourful bout and the exile Cuban, who has been a resident of Genoa for two years, fought back strongly in the last two rounds to equal the points.

►Bologna—Heavyweight, Eduardo Corletti beat Francisco Jan Jose, Spain, TKO5, the towel being thrown in. Gianfranco Maccia beat Adriano Rosati TKO5. Welterweight, Giovanni Murgia decided Osej Kofi 6. Giancarlo Bacchini decided George Dulaire, 6.

►Brescia—7,000 saw Heavyweight James Woody an American southpaw, lose a ten rounder to the Italian champion, Piero Tomasoni. Heavyweight, Italian, Dante Cane decided Charley Polite, 10. Welterweight, Giallano Nervino beat Le Kay, South Africa, TKO5, Le Kay suffering a cut eye.

FRANCE

►Paris—Welterweight, John Tiger beat Daniel Mousseau, KO2. Salon de Provence. Middleweight, Pascal Di Benedetto beat Rene Francome TKO, 7.

►Nantes—Welterweight, Abel Faradji decided Georges Fabbri, 8.

►Blois—Welterweight, Gerraud Breton decided Victor Calac, 8.

►Villeurbanne—Italian light heavyweight Guerino Scatolin beat French Bruno Cosimo, KO7. Welterweight, Luis Penteado and Ferdinand Ahumbe fought a 10 round draw.

►Hautmont—Georges Guerrier decided Daniel Ringuet, 8.

►Caen—Middleweight, Jean Baptiste Rolland beat Jesse Greene, KO4.

►Paris—Pierre Thomas decided Bernard Gémond, 8.

►Montargis—Bantamweight, Claude Lapinte decided Gian Carlo Centa, 10. Featherweight, Michele Houdeau and Pierre Vetrof boxed a 10 round draw.

►Paris—Over 4,000 paid 110,000 francs at the Sportpalast and saw Doug Huntley (26) USA, score again. Having lost narrowly on points to Tom Bogs, beaten Jacky Marty and Souleimann Diallo, the American outpointed Jose Gonzales, 10. Yolande Leveque beat Super welterweight Benny Briscoe, USA, who was disqualified for a low blow in round four. Middleweight, Jean Gelin beat Pierre Minier, KO6.

►Beziers—Marcel Cerdan beat Gunter Valtinke, Germany, in round 4. The visitor suffered a cut eye brow. This caused the stoppage.

SPAIN

►Barcelona—Lightweight, Tony Ray beat Jesus Zamora, KO3. Lightweight, Tomas Castuera was decided by Yancio Il 8. Middleweight, Jose Hernandez beat Julio Rocha, TKO4.

►Palma de Mallorca—Bantamweight, Jose Arranz and Bob Allotey fought 8 to a draw.

►Barcelona—Middleweight, Billy Yusef beat Francisco Maldonado, TKO7. Omar Bamole beat Esteban de Paco, TKO2.

►Tenerife—Welterweight, Juan Sombrita decided Maximo Consolati, 8. Lightweight, Pedro Carrasco beat Eduardo Battista TKO4. (Non title.)

►Barcelona—Lightweight, Enrique Levy decided Marcial Urrea, 8. Featherweight, Manuel Medina outpointed Hadou Mannan, 8. Light weight, Miguel Valazquez outscored Jose Luis Torcida, 8. Feather weight, Jose Legra beat Ernesto Miranda, TKO4. (Non title.)

►Valencia—Francisco Ferri decided Jo Hernandez, 12, in a local light middleweight title fight. Pedro Carrasco beat Gianni Salami, TKO4. (Non title.) Welterweight, Domingo decided Antonio Valverde, 8. Middleweight, Tomas Moktar and Collado went 8 to a draw.

►Tenerife—Welterweight, Barrera Corpas decided Olli Maki, 10.

SWEDEN

►Gothenburg—Former light middleweight champion of Europe Bo Hogberg has had an eight month break from boxing because of a difference of opinion with the tax man. He made a comeback facing Harold Richardson, U.S. Hogberg lost this ten rounder on points and disappointed the 7,000 in attendance. Heavyweight, Ray Patterson decided Roger Tighe, Britain, 8. Raymond Nisula decided George Dulaire, 8.

DENMARK

►Copenhagen—Some 5,000 saw two former European champions go through their paces. Borge Krogh got a 10 draw with Olli Maki but the latter appeared to have a little to spare.

Tom Bogs, 40 fights, no defeat decided Charley Austin, USA, 10. Middleweight, Tom Jensen outscored Caesar Brian, 4. Light welterweight, Joe Africa outpointed Preben Rasmussen, 6. In the final seconds of the opening round, heavyweight Hans Jorgen Jacobsen koed Francois de Scamps, Spain, Middleweight, Erik Jorgensen and Kurt Mattson drew in a 4.

AUSTRIA

►Vienna—European light welterweight champion, Johann Orsolics, Austria, beat Jean Bruce-Ilari, France, TKO2. The visitor sustained a cut eye lid and referee Kid Rado called a halt. The champion was in good form.

Super lightweight, Oswald Lang, Austria, beat Pietro Ceru, Italy, KO2, with a right hook to the chin. Middleweight, Mathias Rosenitsch, beat Everen II, KO5. Super welterweight, Peter Marlewitz, Austrian southpaw, stopped Giampolo Gabanetti, Italy, 5. Super welterweight, Anton Schedl decided Bruno Ruggio in a 6.

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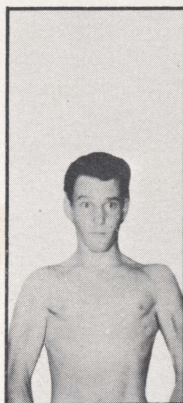
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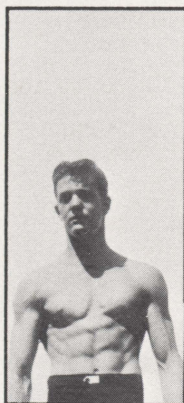
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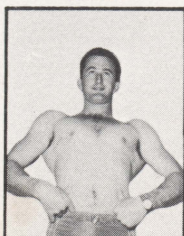
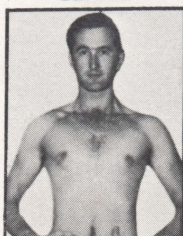
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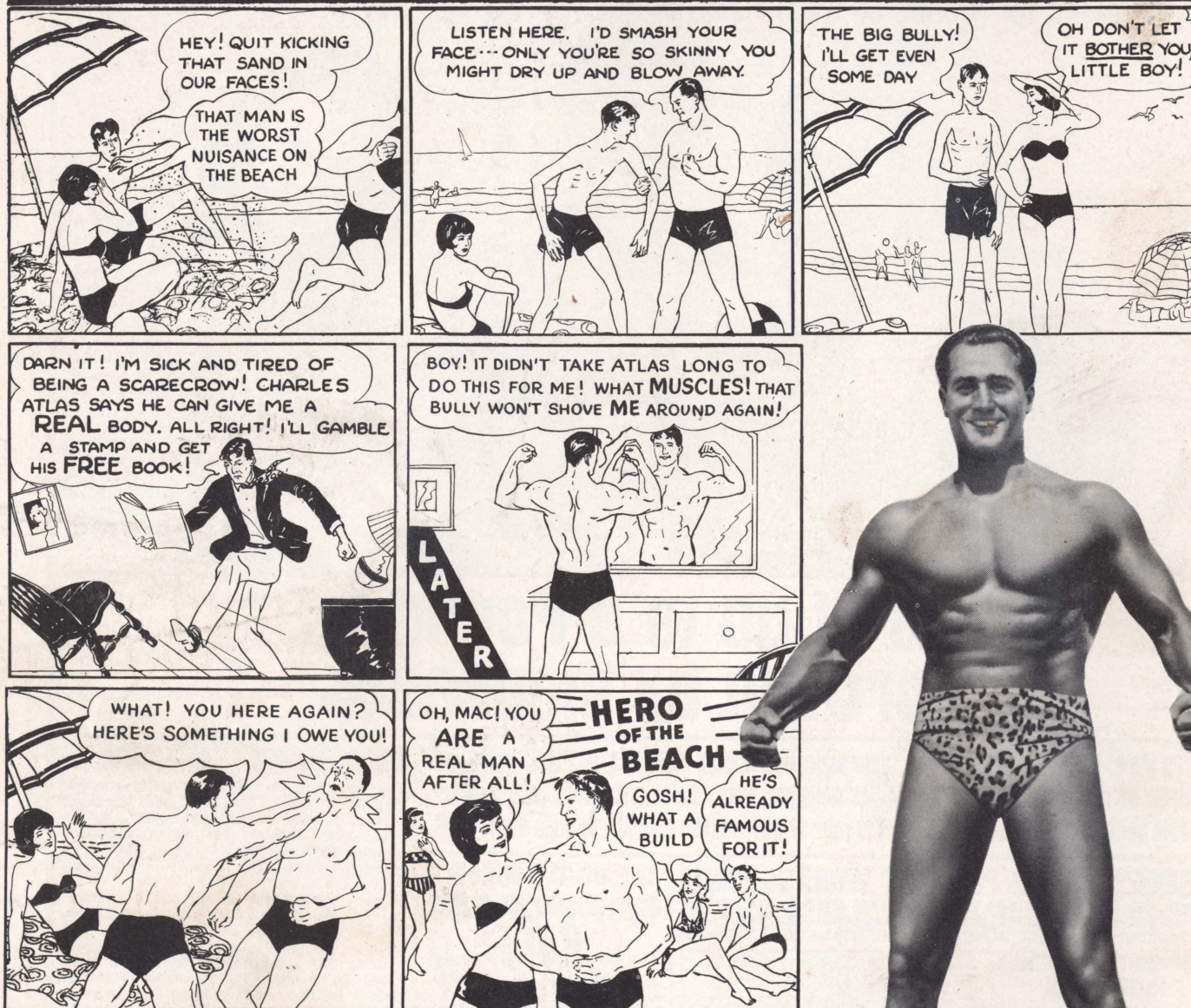
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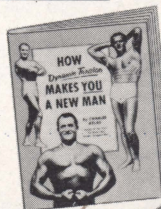
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